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EJ200 engine, called Eurojet,

consists of Rolls Royce, MTU

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already demonstrated ad-

vanced engine technology with its XG-40 programme,

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Mr Younger has always been a firm supporter of the

EFA programme. Project defi-

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long time ago and the study

was completed last October.

Mr Younger indicated at the

end of last year that the Government would approve the development phase of the

However, he had to prove

rowever, he had to prove to the Treasury and to his Cabinet colleagues that EFA was worth backing, particularly as the American Hornet 2000 was being offered at a much lower price.

Mr Denzil Davies, Labour's

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Combat aircraft will guarantee 4,000 jobs

By Michael Evans, Defence Correspondent

aircraft was welcomed last

night by British Aerospace and Rolls-Royce, the two

companies already involved

in the project and which will now receive 33 per cent of the development work on a proto-

Officials remained cautious

because final approval has to

be confirmed by the three

International Leisure Group, which owns Air Europe, yes-

terday ordered 30 new Ameri-

can-built Boeing jets costing £750 million. The order will

mean job security for thou-sands of Rolls-Royce aero-

engine workers, who will make the engines for 22 of the

ain's share of the development cost would be £1.7 billion. The full cost of the programme for Britain, including develop-ment and production, "should that he decided" would be "in

that be decided", would be "in the order of £6 billion to £7

for developing the European Fighter Aircraft (EFA), it is

understood by the four coun-

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volved that full production

will follow, provided the

The RAF has a requirement

for 250 EFA's, the first of

which should be in service by

1996, to replace its ageing

The decision by the Government will guarantee long

term employment for up to 4,000 people involved in the

development programme at

British Aerospace's Warton factory in Preston, Lancashire,

In the Commons, Mr Youn-

ger said that EFA was essential for air defence in the late 1990s, and would also have a

He said: "After an ex-

haustive investigation, I'm in no doubt that EFA is the best

and most effective option to

fulfill its essential military

role. It will be the best possible

value for money for the

He said that other alter-

natives had been considered. a

a reference to the intensive

efforts made by the United

States to sell Europe an up-

graded version of its F-18,

Mr Younger revealed that, because of the high cost of the

EFA project, the commercial

contracts would be "very tight". The technical and

financial risks would be the responsibility of Eurofighter, the industrial consortium

building EFA, not with the

oughs which had previously expected to phase it in over

four years, it was announced

proceedings on the Local Gov-ernment Finance Bill, it was

revealed that the Cabinet had

From Charles Bremner

New York

Where should American managers go

glowing report yesterday that pro-claimed the economic rebirth of the

country that America recently wrote

off as a candidate for the Third World.

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Mr Younger said that Brit-

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The Government is to go ahead with the development of the European Fighter Aircraft in collaboration with West Germany, Italy and Spain in a programme costing

Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Defence, announced the decision in the House of Commons yesterday.

The Governments in Bonn, Rome and Madrid are sched-uled to make similar announcements shortly, with the four defence ministers expected to formalize the deal early next month.

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Elf, the French oil company, has paid £309 million for the oil and gas assets of the mining giant RTZ......Page 25

Run record

Essex and Kent set a record county championship run ag-gregate of 1,570 in yesterday's match at Chelmsford, which was won by Essex..... Page 48

Pound falls

The pound fell back yesterday by 1.5 cents to \$1.8745 and by 1.5 pfennigs to DM3.1453, after the Chancellor's weekend comment that its strength was unsustainable..... Page 25

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Almost £250 million is being pumped into inner city regeneration to encourage enterprise and tackle housing decay. Special Report Pages 35-37

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to for a lesson in efficiency and economic prowess? To Britain, according to Fortune magazine in a

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decline has suddenly stopped declin-ing and come roaring back," said Fortune, the Bible of US businessmen. Hailing "Maggie and a band of aggressive new managers," Fortune reeled off a catalogue of British industrial success stories, from Glaxo The Treasury and Civil Service Committee said yesterday that Mrs Thatcher was right to call a halt to large-scale currency intervention to hold down sterling. But it supported the Chancellor's overall aim of ex-

Toast to enterprise Leading article...

The report, the latest in a series by the American media in similar vein, added: "And, get ready for this America - this Conservative Government is now running budget sur-pluses! Best of all, Britain's economic more like a permanent change rather

Conservative councils which the charge on people's ability had asked to introduce the to pay.

MPs' campaign to amend the efforts to change the Bill and

than a one-shot cyclical rebound." The best barometer has been the transformation in the image of Jaguar cars over the past two years from unwanted "lemons" to an automotive status symbol. Another is Marks and Spencer, which is buying the New ork tailoring establishment, Brooks Brothers. Fortune states: "Should George Bush win next November's presidential election, he will likely take the oath of office wearing a Marks

The magazine added that Britain had proved the truth of an observation by Lord D'Abernon, the late diplomat "An Englishman's mind works best when it is almost too late." Mrs Thatcher had "ignited an entrepreneurial bonfire."

Glowing US report on the fortunes of Britain On the debit side it said: "No other

It added: "In five years, we will know with absolute certainty whether Britain's recent comeback qualifies as a full-blown "economic miracle".

to beat all previous records this year. American and Japanese companies, in the electronics field particularly, are clamouring to set up in Britain," Mr Robert Crawford, of the Scottish Development Association, said yesterday. Development agencies in England and Wales have had a similar

Ivan's shout of defiance



Demjanjuk protesting in court that he was not 'Ivan the Terrible' before he was sentenced.

P&O prepares to defy strikers and sail ships

By Howard Foster, Roland Rudd and Boris Johnson

P&O European Ferries last night prepared to sail two of its ships out of Rotterdam in an attempt to break the National Union of Seamen's 12-week strike.

The union vowed to mount a show of strength at Dover. The officers' union, Numast, fears its members could be prosecuted for sailing on unsafe ships.

The company said that the passenger ferries Pride of Kent and Pride of Bruges had their full complement of officers. Sir Jeffrey Sterling, P&O chairman, was driven secretly

into the dock to give the men on board the ships a pep talk. The Department of Transport yesterday confirmed that members from the National Union of Marine, Aviation and Shipping Transport Offi-cers could be liable to prosecu-

tion if they sail with unqualified crews. The company said officers refusing to sail with non-unionized crew would be sacaked.

Meanwhile, more than 400 shore staff belonging to the white collar union, the Association of Professional, Executive, Clerical and Computer Staff, will vote on whether to service the ships crewed by non-union labour.

Mr Graeme Dunlop, managing director of P&O, accused the striking seamen of threats of violence and intimidation towards those who had gone back.

The National Union of Seamen dismissed his allegations as "pure lies".

Mr Dunlop added that all those who had not gone back would be receiving their P45 tax forms in this morning's post, so severing their relations with the company.

"Hundreds" more seamen would be flown out to Rotterdam later this week to join

preparations to make the five ferries there ready for sea, Mr Dunlop said. Fifty officers and 30 ratings, all union members,

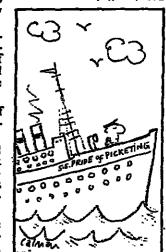
were already at the port. The number of NUS members who have accepted the terms of P&O's new contract is 985, according to an official count, after Dr Sandy Alexander of Kent University was called in to settle a dispute

Photograph ...

over the number of seamen who had signed the contract. Mr Sam McCluskie, general secretary of the NUS, said that up 2,000 men would be at the Eastern Dock today. "I will be there and the whole union executive will be there. There will be as many of the men who are in dispute as humanly possible. Whatever happens I promise you a show.

'The strike has not been lost. There's a long, long way to go before anything is lost. But the dispute has intensified because P&O are putting at risk the whole NUS."

Two P&O ferries were blockaded in the river Tyne Continued on page 24, col 1



Death sentence Criticism on Demjanjuk

From Ian Murray Jerusalem

To clapping, cheering and dancing by the packed audience. John Demjanjuk was yesterday sentenced to death for the murderous war crimes of "Ivan the Terrible", mass executioner at the Treblinka death camp,

As the crowd, including some Holocaust survivors

Leading article... who gave evidence, chanted: "Death. Death. Death," Judge Zvi Tal read out the sentence, partners ran into difficulties over requirements regarding which was phrased in classical Hebrew that seemed inspired

Development work should by the Old Testament. have begun last July, but the "The memory of those crimes and what we have West German government then insisted on substantial looked at here is beyond time," he said. "It is as if cuts in costs on research and Treblinka still existed and However, now that the signing of the EFA deal is imminent, competition for the Jews in their thousands choked as one and shouted out through their torn lungs. The blood of the victims still cries £1 billion radar contract between two consortia, each out to us like the blood of

Zachariah the Prophet." Mr Demjanjuk, who cried out "I am innocent" in Hebrew before he was sentenced, sat impassively in his wheel-

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Poll tax timetable shortened for four boroughs

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By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent



Demjanjuk in 1942, in a Soviet photograph.

chair as Judge Tal read out the judgement. "Knowing that there is no fitting punishment, nevertheless, he still has to be punished," the judge said, "In the light of the above, we sign a punishment of death."

The defence announced before the sentence was handed down that it intended to appeal. When the final submissions had been made, the court allowed Demjanjuk to speak for himself. In his deep voice, he pleaded his inno-cence lucidly in Ukranian.

He said he believed the Continued on page 24, col 6

moved by Mr Michael Mates

last week which would base

The group of six or seven

MPs who are behind the

were the inspiration behind

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meet to select a senior Conser-

vative peer who will continue

the campaign in the Lords.

of GCSE mounting

By Nicholas Wood

Ministers are bracing themselves for a wave of criticism over the new GCSE exam curing the summer, accord to a confidential minute fromthe Department of Education and Science disclosed to The

They expect to face accusations of administrative blundering, a decline in standards, increasing stress among pupils and parents and a lack of fairness in the new papers.

Ministers, hoping to defuse criticism, have instructed officials to join forces with exam chiefs to mount a propaganda offensive aimed at maintaining public confidence in the replacement for O levels, which up to one million. children sit for the first time in May and June.

A detailed campaign strategy aimed at reassuring parents and pupils about the standards and fairness of the GCSE has been drawn up within the Department of Education and Science.
According to the minute of

the latest meeting of the GCSE publicity committee, ministers, examining groups and the department's publicity, machine will be mobilized in an effort to promote the "good news" about the new exam.

It says: "The examining groups will continue to give reassurance, for example that there are enough examiners." During June "positive noises" should be made about the good standard of exam papers.

The Government's determination to put the best gloss on the new exam, was criticized yesterday by Dr John Marks, of the Centre for Policy Studies.He said the department was "only concerned to put out positive propagandarather than look at the real problems".

Cardinal's support, page 5

French candidates to clash on TV

From Philip Jacobson, Paris

As the smoke of battle cleared bre M Chirac presided over Dièce television debate on Thursday evening.

Both President Mitterrand and M Jacques Chirac are known to consider that the outcome of this confrontation will be crucially important to their chances of winning the run-off on May 8.

While the analysts were still poring over Sunday's returns, a jaunty M Mitterrand took off on a trip to the French Antilles. A rather more som-

after the first round of the what had all the appearances French presidential election of a crisis cabinet meeting. yesterday, the two surviving Yesterday's newspapers made candidates finally agreed to a much of the Prime Minister's failure to reach a personal score of 20 per cent.

The general conclusion was that the splintering of the French right, and above all the unexpectedly powerful show-ing of M Jean-Marie Le Pen, leaves M Chirac with a great deal to do if he is to mount a serious second round chall-enge to M Mitterrand.

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country of any size has as small a percentage of its college-age youth in higher education."

• Investment boom: The number of foreign companies setting up factories in England, Scotland and Wales is set experience, he added.

Thirteen held for £1m homes trick

Thirteen men were arrested yesterday suspected of cheating hundreds of pensioners out of up to £1 million in a home improvement racket. Police had been investigating for two years during which people were said to have been bullied into paying large amounts for shoddy workmanship on paths and driveways. The gang drove Range Rovers, kept in touch by portable telephones and radiopagers, stayed in expensive country hotels, and were said to have been involved in a value added tax fraud.

The arrests came after more than 150 police and customs officers arrived at homes in Hampshire, Surrey, Sussex, Kent, Essex, Berkshire and Cambridgeshire. Det Supt Peter Long, who led the operation, said: "They acted as a group constantly travelling around the country. They were overcharging, giving false details of work they claimed to have done, applying pressure tactics to get payment and using poor quality materials."

Parachutist injured

Mr John Whomes, aged 26, a qualified parachutist, of Finningham, Suffolk, is "comfortable" in Norfolk and Norwich hospital with a broken back and foot injuries after the ascending parachute and harness he was testing at Thorpe Abbotts airfield. Norfolk, suddenly veered to the right and plunged 300 ft to the ground. His brother, Terry, said Mr Whomes had successfully tested the parachute with an old harness, but fell when using the harness supplied with the parachute. "We can only think it was incorrectly weighted."

MP's home burned

Mid-Wales police are investigating a fire at a house used by Sir Gerard Vaughan, the former Conservative minister for health, and his family. A bed and furnishings were found badly damaged at the weekend at the rented house near Lake Vyrnwy between Bala and Welshpool. The incident is thought to have happened some weeks ago. Forensic science tests are being done to find see if there is a link with a series of holiday home burnings. Sir Gerard, Conservative MP for Reading East, said he believed someone had broken in and caused the fire accidentally.

£590,000 for victim

A man who suffered brain damage after a motor-cycle on which he was riding pillion was in a collision was given £590,000 damages in the High Court yesterday. Mr Gordon Stickland, aged 28, of Forest Gate, east London, spent three weeks on a life-support machine after the accident, involving a car, in 1984. He is cared for at home by Miss Susan Whitton, whose courage and devotion was praised by Mr Justice Pain. The agreed damages and costs of the action are to be paid by the car driver, Mr Ozel Osman, of South

Body set in concrete

A man whose wife deserted him, with a daughter, 16 years ago to live with her British-born lover in South Africa was told last night that her butchered body had been found embedded in a concrete block in Durban. Identification of Mrs Irene Jones, was confirmed by dental records flown from Britain. Mr Reg Jones, now aged 61, of Hastings, East Sussex, said last night: "I will bring her remains home where she belongs". Peter Barber, her lover, was hanged for three murders, including that of Mrs Jones and her daughter whose bodies had not been found, in South Africa in 1980.

Birthday pilot fined Mr John Farley, a former chief test pilot for British

Aerospace, put on a private aerobatic display to please an elderly woman neighbour on her eighty-second birthday and flew too low, a court was told yesterday. Farley, aged 55, of Windy Wood, Godalming, Surrey, pleaded guilty at Chichester Magistrates' Court to low flying and was fined £100. He was also fined £50 for making a flight with insufficient documentation. The court was told that Farley, now retired, had carried out all the test flying on the Hawker

Seattle for Karpov

By Roland Rodd

Most trade unions are signing agreements with formal dispute procedures

that effectively restrict industrial action

and in some cases rule out strikes,

according to a survey by an independent

Services (IRS) comes as the TUC's Special Review Committee finds itself

under pressure from union left-wingers

According to IRS, an official survey

four years ago showed that most agreements included formal peace

clauses" that prevented unions going on

The report by Industrial Relations

research group on no-strike deals.

to outlaw no-strike deals.

Analoly Karpov of the Soviet Union and Johann Hjartarson, of Iceland, will meet in Seattle, in the United States, in January in the quarter-finals of the World Chess Championship, the World Chess Federation announced yesterday. Prize money will total \$80,000, a spokesman said. The other quarter-final matches, with prize money of SwFr50,000, have already been announced. They are Nigel Short v Jonathan Speelman (both Britain) in London in August; Jan Timman (Netherlands) v Lajos Portisch (Hungary) in Belgium in January 1989; Artur Yusupov (Soviet Union) v Kevin Spraggett (Canada) in Montreal in

'Red Robbo' at head of new communist group

By Tony Dawe

Life is about to become even more complicated for Britain's dwindling band of committed communists. They are facing the formation of yet another communist party, which will join two others already courting their favours.

A group of hard-liners will meet this weekend to decide who will lead the newly-formed Communist Party of Britain. There will, however, be little novelty in the names or the ideas.

The men most likely to take the posts of chairman and general secretary when the executive committee meets on Saturday are people the establishment hoped never to hear of again. The "very, leading upfront comrades", to quote a reporter on the Morning Star, are

none other than Mr Derek Robinson, the former Leyland convener known to all popular newspaper readers as "Red Robbo", and Mr Mike Hicks, a printworkers' leader who was jailed for assault on the Wapping picket line.

The names are familiar because the new party is made up principally of people recently expelled from the original Communist Party of Great Britain for objecting to its tendency towards liberal thought. The new communist party is not,

naturally, to be confused with the New Communist Party, formed after a previous ideological difference some 10 years ago.

The latest grouping, which took shape at a congress in London last weekend, is difficult to define partly because one of the loudest cheers

went to a man who asserted: "We reject all labelling". The group appears to be committed, however, to a Marxist-Leninist line and to rebuilding the party at local level, especially in factories and other

from Europe's various Green Parties, for the Morning Star reported yesterday that debates ranged from trade unions rights to "fighting for

Communist Party of Great Britain. Mr Ian McKay, its national organizer, said: "The new party is nothing more than a narrow, sectar-

places of work. It seems to have learnt something

public footpaths". The support of the Morning Star, Britain's communist daily paper, is vital to the success of the new party, a point conceded by the existing

ian splinter group formed by people, some of whom were expelled from

the CPGB; but it is more significant than other groups formed in the past because the support of the Morning Star does give it some credibility."

For those still confused, Mr McKay provided his interpretation of the divisions in British communism.

"We are making a very self-critical appraisal of the movement and the need to rethink many of our policies and our strategy in the light of Thatcher's success.

"Our opponents, who are forming the new group, tend to regard that process as reformism and a move away from the class struggle. They regard themselves as the real revolutionaries while the longer-standing New Communist Party is made up mainly of reactionary Stalinists".

Critics may take some delight

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The original Communist Party of Great Britain estimates that it will have 8,500 card-carrying members after the breakaway. The Communist Party of Britain claims its congress last weekend represented. 1,591 communists. The New Communist Party is thought to have only a few hundred members.

The figures underline the fall insupport for communism. After the war the CP boasted more than 40,000 card-carrying members and the Daily Worker, the Morning Star's predecessor, had a circulation of 150,000. Today the Morning Star sells 30,000 copies a day.

Unanswered questions on the detective killed by axe

An inquest jury decided last no evidence of a gang killing night that Daniel Morgan, a private detective whose death led to allegations against Two detective constables, Alan Purvis and Peter Foley, police in south London, was unlawfully killed.

Police will now investigate the handling of the case by officers who looked into allegations that detectives moonlighted on private security work. Three police offi-cers are now facing disciplinary bearings.

Mr Morgan, aged 37, was found in March 1987 with an axe embedded in his head in the darkened car park of a fair. The coroner said it all. public house in south London. There is a possibility I may

murder no one has been charged in spite of the efforts of up to 25 police officers me. Some of the circumstantial evidence the police had on

Yesterday, Mr John Rees, aged 32, Mr Morgan's partner in the detective agency, South-ern Investigations, of south was arrested by murder squad vestigating officers.

After the jury returned its verdict, Sir Montague Levine said: "The last day in the life the possibility of taking out a of Daniel Morgan involved private summons. many questions unanswered might think this leaves room

for disquiet." The inquest lasted for two for 15 years.

remained uncertain at whose he had arranged his murder hands Mr Morgan, married through police contacts with two children, met his allegations which both Mr death. He said there had been Rees and the police deny.

Widespread curbs on strike action

strike while an issue was in procedure.

The no-strike deal takes the procedure

one step further through the use of an

independent third party whose decision

represent a departure from the normal

procedural arrangements for resolving

collective disputes, but adds that this "departure should not be exaggerated when account is taken of their coverage

and enforcement".
Union leaders who favour a tough

TUC code of conduct to prevent unions

offering employers no-strike deals in favour of recognition, single out the compulsory arbitration aspect as the

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IRS believes that these agreements

is binding on both parties.

Alan Purvis and Peter Foley, were exonerated of any role in the killing although they face disciplinary hearings for alleg-edly helping Mr Rees to carry out a security contract on a private company.

Police have been unable to find any blood or fibre samples to link anyone with the

After the verdict Mr Rees,

married with three children, said: "The verdict was quite fair. The coroner said it all. More than a year after the murder no one has been murder of Daniel although there is no evidence against me has now been discredited." Mr Alistair Morgan, the

dead man's brother, said: "Anyone who sat in this court over the past two weeks and heard what was said will come London, denied involvement to the same conclusion as L I in the murder. Mr Rees, who consider that the majority of people who have been aware detectives after the killing last year, is himself launching an official complaint against inmy mother and I feel they must be aware that justice has not yet taken its full course."

or not adequately explained. There have been many conorivate security contract, and who has since left the police, declined comment.

The jury had been told by weeks and the jury was ex-cused further inquest service accountant, Mr Kevin Lennon, that Mr Rees wanted to The coroner said that it be rid of Mr Morgan and that

offending clause, yet companies have

already been restricting unions through

traditional disputes procedures, and

some recent agreements have ruled out

strike action without containing com-

Left-wing unions have criticized the

concept of pendulum arbitration because

it is seen to undermine the collective

bargaining process, but IRS reports that the system actually supports the bargain-

ing process by reducing the need for

arbitration since both parties adopt more

reasonable negotiating stances.

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Charity's helping hand



The Princess Royal meets 500 young supporters of the Save the Children Fund yesterday as she launches the charity's appeal week and inaugurates a trans-London British Rail link. The Princess, President of Save the Children. travelled from Blackfriars station to Crystal Palace ahoard a special Network South East train on the new Thameslink line. She hopes the charity will raise £1 million by Saturday,

helped by youngsters such as those she met yesterday who later enjoyed a party thrown by British Rail. Collections will be made for the fund at stations throughout the region. From May 16, Thameslink will provide a route across London so passengers can travel to and from Bedfordshire and the south coast without

(Photograph: Graham Wood)

Tories in Scotland . to debate devolution

By Kerry Gill

Scottish Conservative Party will hold an 80-minute debate, twice the normal length, on devolution at its party conference in Perth next

Irked by accusations that it might be seen to be sweeping the devolution question under the carpet, the party has decided to allow a full discussion.

Given the lack of any motions in support of a Scot-tish Assembly, the leadership will be hoping that the debate will kill off the issue.

Mr James Highgate, president of the Scottish party, said: "We have given this extra time and we shall ensure that leading speakers from either side will be called".

He said the debate would be lively, but he expected the conference to favour motions put forward by constituencies against any form of Scottish Assembly.

Lord Goold, the party chairman, said there had been much criticism that it had not discussed devolution in recent years. He said the leadership had decided to encourage the conference to discuss it "once and for all". He added that if delegates

voted heavily against devolu-tion, that would be the end of the question. .

Devolution was debated by the party during the mid-1970s and rejected by a large majority.

The party conference, which opens on May 11, will also debate a motion to reform local government in Scotland.

Stratford to halt | Pet shop's name RSC sponsorship

Conservative councillors in Stratford-upon-Avon are al-most certain to end sponsor-actor at the Royal Shakespeare ship of the Royal Shakespeare
Company after an actors' protest over the presence of a
South African diplomat at the

Theatre while the South African diplomat sat in the
audience. It said the RSC
would not in future celebrate town's Shakespeare anniver-

sary celebrations. Mr William McFarland, chairman of the Stratford District Council policy review group, said yesterday: "The policy of the council is that unless all countries accredited at the Court of St James are invited the council will not participate in the celebrat-

The council has for several years sponsored events at the RSC in Stratford. This year sponsorship was worth £25,000 for a series of events at the Swan Theatre. Mr McFarland said: "The question of sponsorship is re-viewed every year. It is not an automatic grant."

On Saturday a statement the birth of Shakespeare in the presence of any representative of the South African govern-

ment. The celebrations were boycotted by about 50 countries, and three weeks ago 50 RSC actors snubbed a reception by the Mayor of Stratford to welcome the theatre company to the town for a new season.

Next month a group set up by the Shakespeare Birthday Celebrations Committee will start talks involving councillors and the company in an attempt to find a solution to the annual protests over South Africa. It is expected to consider a format which would try to exclude South Africa.

'misled customers'

A pet shop misled the public into thinking a qualified vet-Bodmin Crown Court yes- use of such a description.

Advertisments said the shop offered "a new concept in animal care" and its products were all "veterinary ap-proved", Mr Paul Rees, for the prosecution, said.

But none of the directors of the company or the shop staff had any veterinary qualifica-tions and the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons decided to take action, Mr Rees said.

In a rare prosecution brought by the Royal College under the Veterinary Surgeons Act, 1966, Vettcare Ltd. of Duke Street, Truro, Cornwall, deny using a description implying that a person or persons possessed qualifications which they did not have.

The managing director of Vettcare, Mr Arthur Pitt, aged erinary surgeon was involved in the business by calling itself towan, near Redruth, Corn-Vettcare, it was alleged at wall, denies consenting to the

Mr Rees said: "Part of the Veterinary Surgeons Act is designed for consumer protection and by using the name Vettcare for their shop the company implied qualified people were involved.

"They could have used Petcare or Animal Care but they chose Vettcare and one of the reasons may have been because they wanted to imply qualified vets were involved in the business."

Mr Rees said the shop opened in November 1985 and early in 1987 the Royal College wrote to Mr Pitt about the name. Mr Pitt said the company had taken legal

advice. The case continues today.

Fatal accident procedure

Why one crash caused five-hour jam By Daniel Ward, Motor Industry Correspondent

Both carriageways of the approach to one of Britain's busiest motorways were closed for five hours at the weekend when a motor-cycle ran into the central barrier and careered into a car. Motorists were forced to

reverse along the elevated section of road to exits where they then faced long delays on adjacent roads. Traffic came to a halt and travellers missed flights from Heathrow.

The accident happened at midday on Sunday when a motor-cycle travelling west crashed into the central barrier near the Chiswick flyover, known to police as "the first travel hand after heads a least the first travel hand after heads a least travel." real bend after leaving Lon-

Both driver and pillion passenger were thrown over the barrier into the eastbound carriageway, a common occurrence on this notable twisty and narrow two-lane section of roadway. The pillion passenger died instantly.

The reason for the massive hold up for what might appear to be an easy-to-clear accident was the need to gather scientific evidence at the scene of a fatal accident.

An army of experts, including Scotland Yard photog-raphers and a special accident investigation team based at

1986 there were 5,700 deaths Nearly four out of 10 British bouseholds do not have a car, according to the latest edition of United Kingdom in Figures, the official compendium of third since 1966. The statistics show that the elderly make up a consid-

Government. In the 20 years to 1986 there was a big growth in the number of households owning a car, but some 38 per cent still do not have one.

statistics collected by the

In spite of the growth in car ownership, deaths caused in road accidents have fallen. In

Surbiton, had to travel to the scene and gather information before the wreck and the body were moved. However, police admitted surprise at the length of the delay for an incident involving only two vehicles.

We create a sterile scene and treat the accident like a murder", Serjeant Peter Smith, of the divisional intelligence information unit, based at Chiswick, explained. With a fatal accident you have to close the road until the

experts arrive." The length of skid marks was measured to determine speed while the damaged central barrier and vehicles were photographed to provide an insight into the cause of the crash and evidence for any

due to road accidents, down a

erable proportion of the population, In 1986, 6.5 per cent of the population was aged over 75 years compared with 5 per cent in 1966.

United Kingdom in Figures
1988 (leaflet from the Central
Statistical Office, Room 58/G,
Government Offices, Great
George Street, London SWIP
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The motor-cyclist, Mr Les-lie Hallam, of Brentford, was taken to West Middlesex Hospital with head injuries and his passenger, Miss Christine Daintree, aged 25, was killed.

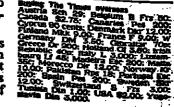
The motor-cycle bounced along the road for more than 200 yards before hitting a Ford Escort, without injury to its occupants. Immediately, police closed the westbound carriageway and by 12.30 pm both sides of the road were shut between the beginning of the flyover and junction two of the motorway near Brent-

More than 90,000 vehicles use this section of road each Sunday, and last Sunday, west London was already busy as motorists took advantage of

the sunshine. Wembley was hosting the Littlewood cup where a large crowd turned out to see Luton Town beat Arsenal. The A4, which runs under the elevated section, and the A40 immediately became clogged with traffic, a situation made worse by road works on the A4.

As motorists poured back into London in the afternoon, the tailback stretched to five miles and police closed the slip road feeding traffic on to the M4 at junction 3 to help to cicar the traffic.

At 4,45pm the westbound carriageway was reopened. The eastbound carriageway remained closed until 6.15pm. The long hold-up revived scenes of last December when riverside London was brought. to a halt by a three-vehicle accident at Blackfriars and a burst water main in Finchley Road brought chaos to the capital with an estimated 50,000 cars trapped in the huge jam.



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tinue to ensure that no one is had no insurance cover. Unbowed by the blizzard of speare on two main counts: the ending of The Tempest the quality of the poetry and and parts of As You Like It. scepticism greeting his claim to have discovered a Shakespeare text, Professor Peter Levi yesterday mounted a stout defence of what his publisher described as the literary event of the decade, if

not the entire post-war period. Widespread advance newspaper coverage, and the quoted doubts of a battery of academics, took much of the steam out of the professor's launch of his booklet, New Verses By Shakespeare, at a London press conference. But, as befits a former priest, his

faith remained unshaken. Professor Levi, who holds the chair of poetry at Oxford University, based his belief that the verses were by Shake-

Job cuts at BBC in £6bn scheme to boost programmes

The BBC is to spend an average of £40 million a year more on radio and television

Mr Checkland said: "We

have confidence and creative

ability to assert whatever hap-pens to the rest of British broadcasting - and it increas-ingly fragments - the BBC stands for the production of a

diverse range of programmes

of high quality at home and overseas which will appeal at

times each week to all our

The new spending plans, which will average £40 million a year, will include: a new

daily arts programme on BBC2; an extra £2 million

each year to boost the quality

and range of peak time pro-grammes on BBC1; £3 million

year held in reserve for

prestige drama productions such as Fortunes of War and 600 hours a year of indepen-

An extra £1 million is

planned for children's tele-

vision programmes from

Newcastle and Liverpool. There will be increased re-

sources for schools television

and improvements to the

BBC2 programme for the

Asian community and Radio 1 output will be expanded until 2am and Radio 2 will

have the opportunity to im-

There will be extra re-

sources for music and drama

on Radio 3 and development

of Radio 4's output from the

Freeman

wins top

radio prize

BBC programmes and person-

alities won 22 of this year's 28

Sony Radio Awards presented

The Gold Award for

outstanding contribution went to Jerard Mansell, architect of

the BBC network, and the

Award for Services to Radio

to Thena Heshel, producer of In Touch, BBC Radio 4's

Capital Radio's veteran

Radio Personality of the Year.

cluded: best drama produc-

tion, News of the World (BBC

Radio 4); best actor, Edward

Petherbridge for Hang Up (BBC Radio 3); best actress,

Harriet Walter for Rhyme or

Reason (Radio 4); best current affairs programme: Morning Merseyside (BBC Radio Mer-

seyside); best document-

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Wales); reporter of the year.

Lindsay Taylor for coverage of

the King's Cross fire (Independent Radio News); The Radio

Academy Award for most

creative use of radio:

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Where funding of care was

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However he acknowledged

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Professor Levi described

his work as "a modest docu-ment". On Friday Mr James Knowles, an Oxford graduate

research student, will publish a treatise demolishing the

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faith in his author. At least he

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professor's claims.

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We want to have done with

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Best classical music pro-

Alan Freeman, independent

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The main awards also in-

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authoritative and powerful £70m budget will receive a news and current affairs service. We are backing that with Mr Checkland said: "We

The BBC, which employs 23,500 people in its home services and has a budget this financial year of £1.1 billion, is faced with a licence fee increase linked to the retail price index, while broadcasting costs run at about 2 per cent above the inflation rate.

Budget plans hammered out by BBC chiefs, which will run from 1988-89 to 1993-94, provide for. A 5 per cent reduction in

staff costs which will even-tually save £25 million a year. Three hundred jobs are to go this year through early retire-ment, voluntary redundancy and natural wastage.

■ A 10 per cent reduction in local radio operating costs. Increased profits from BBC Enterprises, the corporation's sales wing, whose turnover target by 1993 is £250 million. Engineering improvements and savings from moving staff from expensive rented accommodation in central London to a new site at White City. Savings from lower pension costs and increased funds

licence holders. The savings will range from £28m this year to £55m by 1993 and will be divided between network television, regional broadcasting and news and current affairs. This

from more colour television

thereafter has to be a very year news and current affairs' Shake-up would cut ITV stations

By Our Media Editor

programmes during the next five years as a result of efficiency and productivity

savings achieved largely through job cuts, it was an-nounced last night.

News and current affairs

will be the largest single

beneficiary, gaining 40 per cent of the extra cash by 1993,

which represents a significant victory for Mr John Birt, the

deputy director general who was brought in to overhaul the corporation's news gathering

Mr Michael Checkland, director general, unveiled the corporation's £6,000 million

spending plan for the next five years and said:

the £1.20 spent each week by

people for our radio and

television services better

value for money than they

substantial extra funds to news and current affairs, ap-

proved by BBC governors last

week, arises from what BBC chiefs believe will be the corporation's key role during

the forthcoming broadcasting revolution which will see the

introduction of new satellite,

terrestial television and cable

Mr Checkland said: "We

believe the core element of the

BBC services in the 1990s and

services.

The decision to allocate

have ever had before."

"This is designed to make

A radical plan to reduce substantially independent television's network of 15 regional stations is to be submitted to the Prime Minister within the next 24 hours by the head of one of the Mr Leslie Hill, managing

director of Central Television, was asked by Mrs Thatcher to submit a paper detailing his deas "as a matter of urgency". The request came after a visit by the Prime Minister, at her own instigation, to Central's Nottingham studios last

Friday where she had a 45

minute meeting with Mr Hill and executive directors. Any proposals to reduce the number of regionally-based ITV companies would prompt public and parliamentary pro-test in the areas affected. "It is ietroi. Nobody wants to talk about it,

for obvious reasons", one ITV source said last night. Mr Hill and managing directors of some other ITV stations believe that streamlining is necessary if companies are to thrive in the competitive television world

of the 1990s, Some ITV officials believe the number of companies could be cut to as few as six. The first casualties would probably be Border and Grampian. They could be amalgamated with Granada and Scottish Television resp-

Access to health care regard-

less of ability to pay is crucial

and would not be sacrificed by

the Government, Mr John

The review of the National

Health Service would not lead

to a United States-style system

based on private health insur-

ance, according to the Sec-

retary of State for Social

of 'credit card care' where the provision of decent treatment

and the means to pay it are inextricably linked", Mr

Moore told a conference on

American health care held by

the institute of Economic

"We are determined to con-

Affairs in London

"We do not want a system

Moore said yesterday.

The Broadcasting Complaints Commission has rejected six out of seven National Front complaints about television programmes on BBC1 and Channel 4 in the year to September 1987 linking it with racist attacks or football match violence. The commission agreed that a caption on The Rock 'a' Roll Years about disorder in Southall in 1979, had wrongly said the Front staged a march and clashed with the Anti-Nazi League.

ectively. Tyne Tees could combine with Yorkshire. Television South West and Anglia could also be at risk.

Today, the Independent Broadcasting Authority, which is responsible for ITV publishes its long-awaited policy statement on the future of independent television in the 1990s. It is expected to de the status ouo.

Although Mr Hill will argue strongly for reducing the number of ITV companies, he will emphasize to Mrs Thatcher that the ability to serve the regions is a unique strength

Mr Hill backs proposals, put to Mr Douglas Hurd, Home Secretary, last week, suggesting that the Government names a price for each franchise and then allows the IBA to choose who should run each station based on criteria of programme quality. A broadcasting Bill is due to be introduced this year.

Government NHS review

Moore pledges care for all

denied access to medical care

and that the needs of particu-

larly vulnerable groups, such as the long-term sick and the

He also made it plain that

the Government was not in-tent on wholesale change. "We

intend to retain and build on

the strengths of the existing

system. I do not believe that health care systems can simply be transplanted from one

country to another like cut-

Mr Moore went on to point

out the most striking weakness in the American health care

system - the lack of com-

prehensive coverage. More

than a tenth of the population

Signs leading to the Bard

By Alan Hamilton

the quality of the poetry and

The manuscript, largely ig-nored in the past, the profes-sor believes, because of the difficulty in deciphering the

handwriting, is in the Huntington Library, Califor-nia, pasted inside the script for

a masque written by John

The professor admitted he had not seen the original, but had worked from photocopies.

Marston's attempts at

verse, the professor said, were "terrible", whereas the quality

of the work in question was

with echoes of some of Shake-

speare's other work, notably

"uneven but very beautiful",

Marston in 1607.

the signature 'W.Sh(K)R'.

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frail elderly, will be met."

because they cannot afford it provided by a third party, the

By Jill Sherman, Social Services Corresp

Artists fight to save their street



By Andrew Billen

Artists and their children display some of the output from their community yesterday in an east London street populated almost exclusively by artists. The community, though, is under threat from the impending sale of the houses for which the rents are kept artificially low, and the residents have formed a trust to save it.

There are 42 artists and their 16 children in 25 of the houses in Beck Road, Hackney. The property is owned by the Inner London Education Authority and managed by Acme Hous-ing Association, which is dedicated to

providing low-cost accommodation for

When people apply to live in one of Acme's houses, it looks at the promise of their work rather than the health of their bank balance. Rents in Beck Road are £25 a week, with seven days' security of

The Ilea is obliged by law to sell the street as surplus to educational require-ments. The houses are worth £1.5 million and the artists aim to raise £500,000 which, with investment and borrowing financed by rents, will be enough to buy

Among the painters, potters, sculptors,

photographers and architects who live there is Miss Helen Chadwick, who was short-listed for last year's Turner Prize.

Mr Peter Smith, a painter who has lived in the road since 1978, said yesterday: "It has been wonderful to me. When I arrived I thought the area was a dump, now I love it.

"I don't make enough from my work to be able to afford a bouse anywhere else. As long as I am here that doesn't matter so much: you can be making a great deal of progress artistically without having a good year financially and that is rec-

(Photograph: Mark Pepper)

Europe to decide on Sunday trading

By Rosemary Unsworth Retail Affairs

Britain's largest DIY chain, B & Q, won support from the crown court yesterday in taking a case against it for Sunday trading to the European Court of Justice.

The company's appeal at Shrewsbury Crown Court against a £250 fine imposed by against a 220 line impose of your magistrates last month for selling a packet of picture hooks on a Sunday, was adjourned pending a decision by the European court in Luxembourg.

In what is regarded as a test case. Mr Stuart Isaacs, for the prosecution, said B & Q accepted it was guilty of an offence under English law but its defence was that this had been superseded by EEC law. He accepted that this was an arguable defence and that the

only way of settling it was to refer the matter Mr David Vaughan, QC, for the defence, said ratepayers would not have to pay for the case, as the the company had agreed to indemnify the bor-

ough council, which brought he case, against any costs. After the hearing, the company said it would continue to

trade seven days a week. Mr David Ramsden, Sunday trading controller at B & Q, said that the case turned on whether the company should be prevented

from selling imported EEC goods. "Although we've known about this line of defence for some time we've only just decided to use it since hearing of several successes in other countries", Mr Ramsden said.

The case may take a further 18 months to resolve. B & Q has 180 stores, 100 of which open on Sundays, in England and Wales where the Sunday trading laws apply.

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Ministry told to monitor ethnic recruits in services

By Martin Fletcher, Political Reporter

by "cap badge".

be irrelevant.

The ministry insisted that that monitoring must also be An all-party Commons committee yesterday demanded such information was not that the Ministry of Defence available, but the MPs said should monitor the number of that hard statistical informablacks and Asians being retion was the only way of cruited in every regiment or refuting or substantiating the corps in the three armed allegations.

The ministry is likely to The demand of the defence resist strongly the committee's select committee comes after widespread allegations that latest demand. It has persistently argued that there is no ethnic minorities are excluded discrimination in the Armed from the better regiments of Forces and that it would not the Army, and an observation be tolerated. by the Prince of Wales that The ministry last year re-sponded to pressure and began there were very few black faces

beneath the bearskins of the monitoring recruitment of blacks and Asians generally, Guards regiments. It also follows the refusal of but on an area-by-area basis rather than by unit or the ministry to supply the defence select committee with regiment a breakdown of the ethnic composition of the Royal In a unanimous report pub-Marines and seven regiments including the Household Di-

lished yesterday, the MPs said that this would not be enough to satisfy the public that there was no discrimination in the more famous regiments, and However they did not want a quota system reintroduced.

They said it was "axiomatic The committee, which has a Tory majority, suspended judgement on whether there should be monitoring of the promotion prospects of blacks that if an individual wishes to join a particular regiment, and in other respects is qualified to do so, his race must be irrelevant and must be seen to and Asians.

The monitoring introduced "In our view, only the last year stops with recruit-ment. Mr George Younger, collection of statistics by regi-ment or corps will dem-onstrate this. We therefore recommend that it be done, Secretary of State for Defence, told the committee that if it covered promotion as well it not only for the Army, but also for the Royal Marines and the would put unfair pressure on commanding officers.

The MoD, in written evi-But the committee noted dence to the committee, has that in line with Civil Service practice civilian employees of admitted that there was organized racial discriminathe ministry were subject to tion in the Army in the 1960s ethnic monitoring, and said it with the "best" regiments such as the Household Cav-alry taking no blacks or Asians and other regiments operating a quota system of between 2 would keep the issue under

Defence Committee: Ethnic Monitoring and the Armed Forces (Stationery Office; £5.70). Letters, page 17

Parliament's gift to Australia



Pre-empting the Queen, Kai Boerrigter, aged six, tries out the new viceregal chair which is the British Parliament's gift to mark Australia's bicentenary, before it was flown to Canberra yesterday. The Queen will be the first to use the chair officially when she opens the Australian parliament. With Kai at the Peter Milne workshop in Bow, east London, is his father, Mr Bert Boerrigter, aged 36, who made the chair. It is in English pear wood (Photograph: Denzil McNeelance).

aimants face new Restart work test

By John Spicer **Employment Affairs** Correspondent

vision, the Queen's Dragoon

Guards and The Queen's

Labour has accused the Government of making its twentyfourth adjustment to the way unemployment figures are calculated, a move which is expected to reduce this year's total by about 40,000.

The accusation comes after yesterday's introduction of an availability-for-work test for the 1.5 million people who have been unemployed for at least six months.

The test involves a 16-point questionnaire to be completed by all long-term unemployed to show how committed they are to finding work.

But Mr Michael Meacher,

Labour's employment spokes-man, said: "The Government claim the new test is simply a 3,988 people, would be re- Leslie Christie, general sec perfectly reasonable exercise aimed at weeding out the

In fact, it has more to do with using threats and trick questions to con the unsuspecting and intimidate the vulner-He said that results in 11 pilot areas had shown more

fiddlers and scroungers and

motivating the disheartened.

than four times as many people had benefit entitlement thrown into doubt under the new test than the old.

Mr Paul Convery, of the independent Unemployment Unit, said if those figures were projected it would mean at least 2,492 people, and at most

per cent and 4 per cent.

during claimants' Restart interviews. Mr Meacher said: "Restart has changed from being a service designed to counsel and help the long-term unemployed and has now become a device of Government to test and sanction the out-of-work and push them into low-paid, insecure, temporary work.

"The new availability-forwork-test goes far beyond the reasonable checking of benefit claims that all previous governments have administered."

Mr Meacher was supported

moved from the benefit reg-ister — and the monthly of Civil and Public Servants, unemployment figures.

The new tests will take place during claimants' Restart Public Servants Association. Mr Christie said his members did not want to be "benefit Mr Norman Willis, TUC

general secretary, is seeking a meeting with Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Employment, about the new adult training programme to be introduced in the autumn.

The TUC's employment committee yesterday deferred opposing the programme which is aimed at providing training for 600,000 long-term Mr Meacher was supported unemployed, until the two at the news conference by Mr have dicussed it.

Union ends sponsorship of Mace MP

By Tim Jones

The Amalgamated Engineering Union yesterday accused Mr Ron Brown of being "part of Maggie's fifth column" and withdrew its sponsorship of him.

Mr Bill Jordan, the union's president, said his members were "absolutely disgusted" by Mr Brown's behaviour in the Commons when the MP for Edinburgh Leith had caused £1,000 of damage to the Mace.

The president said: "He is part of a

small but significant number of adoles-cent revolutionaries who are pocketed within the party. They undermine everything we seek to achieve.

"This group has in the House repeat-edly snatched defeat from the jaws of victory. They prevent us from pursuing our main task which is helping the underprivileged."

Mr Brown, who was elected in 1979, will lose £600 a year of union funds and help with general election expenses which last year amounted to £7,000.

Bills 'a threat to local democracy'

The MP, who said the Mace slipped from his grasp, has already been expelled from the House for 20 days and backed from the Parliamentary Labour Party for three months for failing to make an agreed apology.

The engineering conference at East bourne, East Sussex, voted by 64-44-40 withdraw its nomination although some delegates sought to play down Mr. Brown's behaviour, and described him as a "very good constituency MP".

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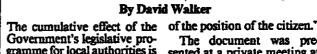
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gramme for local authorities is to remove a democratic counter-weight to central government, according to a statement yesterday by the Association of Metropolitan Authorities, at the start of a lobbying campaign in the House of Lords.

islation on housing, schools and the poll tax posed a serious threat to the role of local government as a check and balance to the power of the centre.

"Much of the legislative programme is presented in terms of increased choice for the individual as consumer. Closer examination reveals, however, the degree to which the appearance of such choice disguises a very substantial shift in the concentration of power upwards to central government without a countervailing strengthening

The document was pre-

sented at a private meeting at the Lords, sponsored by three of the association's vice-presidents, Lord Underhill, the Labour peer, Lord Rippon of Hexham... the former Conservative environment secretary, and Lady Faithfull, a Demo-

In a bipartisan document, • The Government should be Local Democracy at the Cross-roads, the association said that suffocating them, when it tries and create jobs, according to a report compiled jointly by the shires and the metropolitan Councils could create jobs for as little as £500. The

average cost of job creation by local authorities was between £3,000 and £5,000, compared with the £37,000 average cost per job created by the Government's regional policy. Stimulating Local Enterprise — The Local Authority Role (Association of County Coun-cils, 66A Eaton Square, London SWIW 9BH; £5.50).

Farmers: diversify to survive

By John Young

Agriculture Correspondent At least a third of Britain's farmers have a second job, according to the Ministry of Agriculture. Only 15 per cent earn their living solely from agriculture.

The figures, disclosed yesterday by Mr John Mac-Gregor, Minister of Agriculture, contradict the assumbtion that British farmers are while part-time farmers are mainly a continental phenomenon. Mr MacGregor, speak ing at the launch of the 1988 Venturecash Awards, spon-sored by the National Westminster Bank, in London, said: "Farmers have to fine

new sources of income"...; Ten awards of £1,000, open to people aged 18 to 35, were made for projects including cheese, yoghurt and ice-cream manufacture; the processing and marketing of dried flowers and fresh herbs; a tree nursery and a mobile pen for transporting deer. transporting deer.

Auction of human heads

A sinister lot on the shelves

By Sarah Jane Checkland, Art Market Correspondent

Among the furniture, paintings, and general collectables in the basement of Christie's, South Kensington, is some-thing quite sinister.

Painted, daubed with mud. and often shrunken, the larg-est collection of human heads ever to come up for sale sit silently on their shelves, awaiting auction on June 28.

They originate from the Amazon basin, Papua New Guinea and Peru, and were acquired in Paris and New York by a Swiss collector during the sixties and seven-ties. He hopes to raise at least £30,000 from their sale.

At Christie's, the heads are in the hands of Miss Hermione Waterfield, the firm's tribal expert.

One, bearing a close resem-

gether with string. "It's a pity that one's squashed, or it could have fetched £5,000", Miss Waterfield said. As it is, the bedraggled object is estimated at £1,500. "Nobody has ever had a collection like this. It's certainly pushing the bounds of my knowledge."

The collection divides into four categories: trophy heads, ancestor heads, those used in mysterious cults, and those removed from the shoulders of

The trophy heads, usually shrunken, include a number from the Amazon where tribal warriors strung them to their

The ancestor skulls, the remains of venerated elders whose knowledge their descendants wanted to keep in the family, include examples daubed with clay from the Sepik river area of Papua New blance to a mangled Pontefract.

Cake, had its lips sewn tooured with a suspicious look-

ing bag hanging over its eyes, is from Peru and could be up to 1,400 years old. "I've estimated it at £2,000 to £6,000, but that's only a guess. People; will have to make up their own; minds how much they love them", Miss Waterfield said.

Less is known about the shrunken Europeans, their tawny eyebrows and eyelashes distinctly outsize, but they require particularly close inspection as they are popular with fakers.

While head collecting is a limited field, there are a number of serious exponents, and for anyone tempted to join them, but perhaps slightly apprehensive about buying themselves an oril spirit charge themselves are oril spirit charge. themselves an evil spirit along with a head, Miss Waterfield offers a certain amount of reassurance: the only ambiva-lent lot is a rare vooding example from Haiti No cone knows whether its magicials

Runaway prices in Bath

Phillips the auctioneers held their most successful provincial sale yesterday, in Bath. It featured 500 lots of furniture and works of art, and achieved a total of £321,200, with 5 per cent unsold.

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Spain. Everything under the sun.

Interest from the London and New York trade led to a number of runaway prices.

A nineteenth century mahogany library table carved in the manner of Thomas Hope fetched £17,600, £10,000 over estimate, while a nineteenth century Chinese export lacquer screen fetched £8,250 against an estimate of £1,500 to £2,000.

Other high prices included £5,500 (estimate up to £1,500) for a mahogany double-sided book case with a waterfall

by Sarah Jane Checkland. Art Market Correspondent

design, and a Regency mahogany serving table which sold for £7,400 (estimate up to

At Phillips London, sculpture and works of art sold less well, achieving half the Bath total, with one fifth unsold. Lead garden statuary fetched the highest prices, the top lot being a pair of eighteenth century lead lidded urns deco-rated with shell relief panels. Estimated at £3,000 to £5,000.

they fetched £7,700.

Nineteenth century Euro-

pean painting had the support of the international dealing fraternity at Sotheby's Amsterdam yesterday, azi-though prices were unremarkable

Dutch painters were popular, such as Barend Cornelis Koekoek, whose landscape painting showing a romantic castle overlooking a river. fetched top price, selling to an unnamed London dealer for Df1189,750 (£53,413) within

A Dutch dealer bought a painting of a falcon hunt by two artists, Andreas Schelfhout and Joseph Moerenhout, for Df143750 (£40,464), just above estir The morning's sale totalled £526,523

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Air Europe jet order Painter goes public 50 years on will secure jobs for Rolls-Royce workers

The group which owns Air Europe yesterday ordered 30 new American-built Boeing jets costing £750 million. It means job security for thousands of Rolls-Royce aero engine workers who will make false engines for 22 of the jets and earn the company £250 smillion.

The order by International Exeisure Group, one of the biggest ever placed by Britain in America, is aimed at doubling the size of Air Europe and Air Europa — another subsidiary airline — during the next live years.

Boeing 757-200s and eight 737-400s - will be split between Air Europe and its rapidly expanding Spanish off-shoot, Air Europa.

A big increase in scheduled services flown by Air Europe, together with continued growth in holiday charters, new expansion plans and the slide in the value of the dollar, made the contract especially attractive to the parent. International Leisure Group.

. The group's tour comparties, including Intasun, Global and Club 18-30 will carry more than 2.5 million created by Richard Branson to provide cat price flights to the United States for young tourists, was yesterday named the best long hand carrier for

The airline offers free limousine service to and from Gatwick, 55 inches of legroom and a free economy ticket to anyone booking a business class seat. It was chosen by a utive Travel magazine.

British Midland was voted best for short haul services.

them will fly by the group's

Of the 30 jets on order, 10 will be used to replace aircraft now on short term lease and most of the others are likely to be used by Air Europa operating from Spain.

At present Air Europe has 15 aircraft and Air Europa nine. Another five are already on order and it is envisaged that by 1993 the group, headed by Mr Harry Goodman, will be flying 49 aircraft.

Mr Robert Smart, director of development for International Leisure Group, said hofidaymakers this summer: last night: "We will be seeking yet fewer than 30 per cent of finance from a variety of

purchases and have no doubt at all that it will be forthcoming. There is a very great interest today from people who are happy to invest in aircraft."
Apart from a drive to

increase the number of its own holidaymakers carried by the two airlines, Air Europe is scheduled services into Europe and will this week argue its case to take over routes formerly operated by British Caledonian. The air-line is also studying new, long range, routes such as one-stop flights to Bangkok

ing unnecessary surcharges could face prosecution by consumers under new prices legislation being introduced this Autumn, Mr John Butcher, Minister for Con-sumer Affairs, said yesterday. Independent auditors are to

Holiday companies impos-

monitor five cases of fuel surcharges selected by the Office of Fair Trading. Mr Butcher has already discussed the need to monitor surcharges with the Association of British Travel Agents (Abta), which has a strict code of practice stating that no unnecessary surcharges must



After nearly 50 years of painting, Lord Paget of Northampton, QC, the Labour peer, is holding his first exhibition of oils. Lord Wilson of Rievank, Lady Callaghan of Cardiff and a host of

Fine Arts Gallery in Ebury Street, central London. Lord Paget said yesterday: "Eighty is probably about the right age for a promising young artist to go public". He was Labour MP for Northampton from 1945 to 1974, and he

spent six months at Freetown in Sierra Leone. His very painting, of a captain who went to sleep in the same spot after

lanch each day, is on show at the exhibition which runs until Thursday. (Photograph: Stephen Markeson)

Cardinal's support for delay on Ilea

By Sarah Thompson Education Reporter Cardinal Basil Hume yes-terday announced his full support for the Bishop of London's attempt to delay the abolition of the Inner London

Education Authority.
Dr Graham Leonard is proposing an amendment to the Education Reform Bill which would force the Government to inquire more closely into the options for London education.

In the Lords, Roman Catholic bishops and peers are to call for bishops to have a veto over parents' decisions to apply for grant-maintained

datus.

Chief advisers to the Catholic bishops yesterday briefed peers and accused the Government of failing to take into account the fact that schools are deemed to be the responsibility of bishops acting for

the Catholic community. "Catholic schools are not ust educational projects which happen to have ecclesiastical administrators", Mgr Vincent Nicholls, general sec-retary to the Bishops' Con-ference, said. "They are integral to the life of the

Mr Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for Education and Science, has made it clear that after opting out the diocese would continue to control the school governing body.

Despair of elderly pair in death pact

A professor and his wife, had greeted them at Inverness, rustrated at growing old, wallowed cyanide in an overight train, an inquest was ld yesterday.

Professor James Arthur msay, aged 78, and his edish-born wife, Helen telie, aged 76, devised the cide plan years before.

Their son, Mr James msay, of Mildenhall, Wiltire, said: "They had always peen of the view to insist on a certain quality of life. They believed that when they were no longer able to live an active retirement they would make an end of it."

Professor Ramsay, a zoologist and Fellow of the Royal Society, was emeritus professor of comparative physiology at Cambridge University.

His son, a surgeon, told the inquest at St Pancras coroner's court, central London: "My mother suffered from small transient strokes and believed worse things were to come. My father's memory was failing him badly and caused him had discussed ending it all five say's handbag.

... The couple, who lived at The Boxer's Croft, Abriachan, Highland, were found by an attendant near Watford on the Inverness to Euston sleeper.

Mr Michael Connor, who

was to have taken them early morning tea.

The professor was discovered in his compartment next morning laid out on his bed with a black plastic bag fas-tened tightly over his head and held with his left hand.

Mr Connor said: "I didn't touch him but went over to the wash basin where I found a letter to the police and one to the sleeping car attendant".

The attendant went next door to Mrs Ramsay's compartment intending to say her husband had had an accident.

He said: "I found Mrs Ramsay in her night clothes lying in bed with a brown envelope addressed to her son and daughter tied with string around her neck".

A doctor in the train pro-nounced the couple dead and arranged for police to meet the train at Euston.

Sergeant Peter Knightley, of the British Transport Police, said he found a container a great deal of frustration. We marked poison in Mrs Ram-

Dr Iain West, a pathologis said he found quantities of cyanide in both bodies.

The coroner, Dr Douglas Chambers, recorded verdicts that the couple killed

Divorced pupils may face legal investigation

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

launched by the Queen's Proctor on the strength of allegations that the public school-sweethearts, Marcus Spencer and Caroline Sleeman, lived together for six months after their wedding in spite of their elaims that the marriage was never consummated.

"Yesterday the office of the Queen's Proctor, watchdog in divorce cases, said no one had yet come forward with information about the couple. "If and when such material is received, then we shall consider what, if any, action is -appropriate."

Friends say the couple shared a flat in Oxford and were assumed to be lovers.

If the Queen's Proctor, Sir John Bailey, decided that Caroline, aged 19, lied on oath, then he could "take such steps as the Attorney General may consider expedient".

Apart from setting aside the mullity decree granted to the couple in London last Thursday, charges of perjury could be possible.

"At last week's hearing in the divorce court, Judge Monier-Williams said that Marcus, aged 19, had wilfully refused

An investigation could be to consummate the marriage.

Caroline was deputy head girl at St James's and Abbey School in West Malice hool in West Malvern, Hereford and Worcestershire, and Marcus was attending Mal-vern College when they mar-ried just before their final day at school last July.

The divorce court as told that Caroline had made daily calls to Marcus's home for two and a half months after the secret wedding, but he did not return her affection. He eventually said he had made a mistake in marrying her.

The Queen's Proctor, a solicitor who operates under the direction of the Attorney General, gives legal advice to the courts on difficult or disputed legal problems on

He can intervene to prevent a divorce being made absolute in cases where it turns out that not all the material facts had been before the court.

Under the Matrimonial Causes Act 1973, anyone, at any time during the process of a divorce and before the decree is made absolute, can give information to the Queen's Proctor and he will take the appropriate steps.

Papers deny Cleveland **Contempt allegations** Contempt proceedings were allegations of child abuse 19 months later.

yesterday against three news-papers and their editors over stories about the Cleveland child sexual abuse crisis.

The case concerns the naming by The Mail on Sunday last February of the first child diagnosed as a sexual abuse victim by Dr Marietta Higgs.

The newspaper carried an interview and photographs of the parents of two children,. aged four and three, that had been taken from the parents in July 1986 and not returned until they were cleared of all

The Sun repeated parts of the article the next day and commented on it later. The Mirror's Anne Robinson also

identified the family. Mr Peter Singer, QC, for Cleveland County Council, told Sir Stephen Brown, president of the Family Division, that the articles were in con-tempt of an injunction forbidding identification of the children and parents involved. The newspapers all

deny the accusations. The hearing, expected to last a week, continues today.



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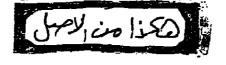
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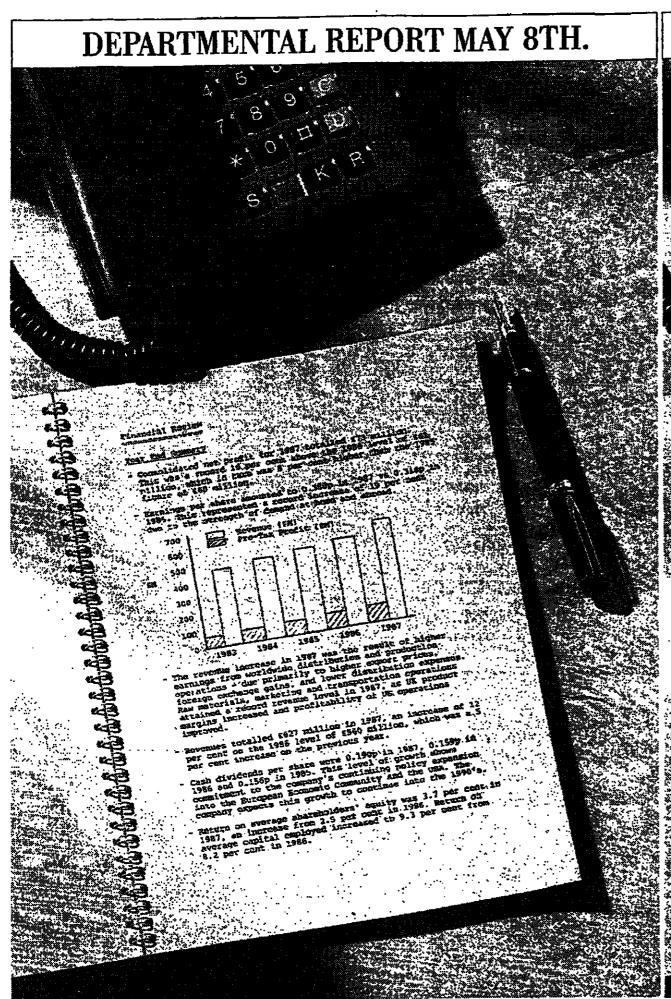
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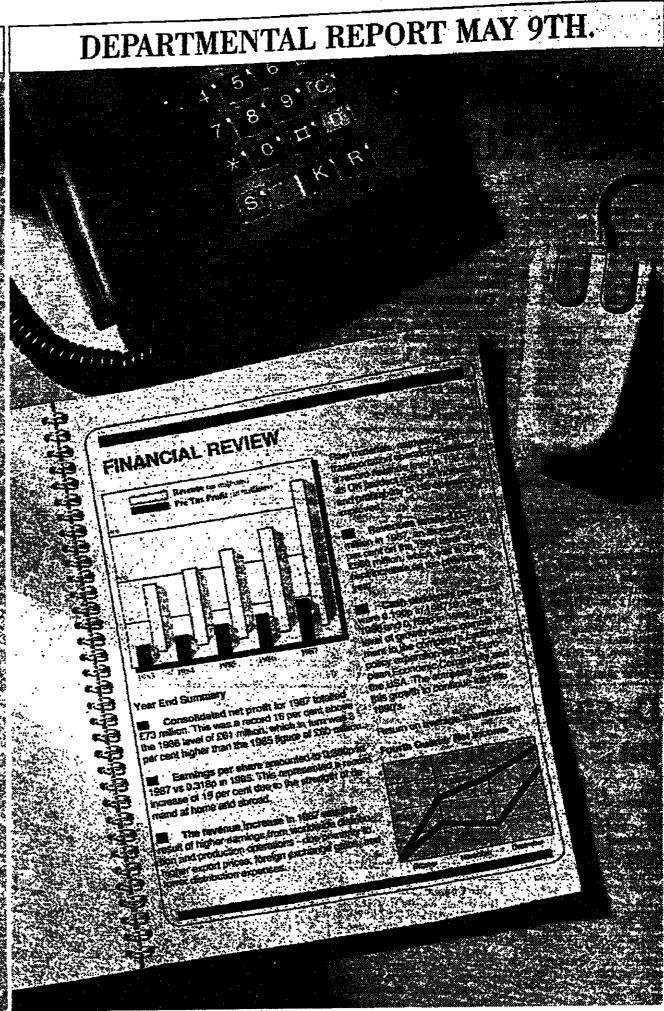
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WORLD ROUNDUP

Warning of SDI 'catastrophe'

pessingistic" a 900-page congressional study of the Strategic Defence initiative which concludes that space-based missile defences could suffer a "catastrophic failure" the first time they were used (Michael Binyon writes).

But in the light of a report by the Office of Technology Assessment, which says that no system capable of blocking Soviet missiles could be in place by the mid-1990s, Mr Frank Carlucci, the Defence Secretary, is reviewing a recommendation that he should cut the proposed initial deployment of Star Wars. A high-level panel has advised received with a limited ground based defence as an initial starting with a limited ground-based defence as an initial step toward the more elaborate space-based system. Mr Carfocci said at the weekend that the panel had told him that the SDI programme was "fundamentally sound".

Submarine explosion

Jacksonville, Florida (Reuter) - Twenty-three injured sailors from the US submarine Bonefish were flown to a naval hospital yesterday as a search continued for three men missing after the vessel was crippled by an explosion and fire in the battery compartment. The crew abandoned the vessel about 160 miles east of Cape Canaveral as toxic firmes spread; and navy officials admitted that hopes of finding the missing men alive had dimmed. The 29-year-old vessel, one of the 135 Novve last diesel-convered submarines still in of the US Navy's last diesel-powered submarines still in service, was at periscope depth on routine manoeuvres.

Defence chief

name a Defence Minister today, replacing Herr Manfred Worner, the designated successor to Lord Carrington as Nato Secretary-General (A Correspondent writes). The new minister is expected to be Herr Rupert Scholz, aged 50, now Minister of Justice and Federal Affairs in the West Berlin state Government. A professor of law, he has no military or defence background, and gained experience of administration only on becoming a Berlin minister in 1981.

Panama reshuffle

Panama City (Renter) - Panama has replaced its ministers of foreign affairs and finance in sweeping Cabinet changes designed to aid the Government in its struggle against USbacked sanctions that have shut banks since March 4 and brought the economy to a standstill. The acting President, Señor Manuel Solis Palma, said the new Cabinet would fight "economic aggression" against Panama. New heads were appointed to the ministries of foreign affairs, finance, education, housing, labour, agriculture, and public works. The new Finance Minister is Señor Gustavo González, replacing Señor Ricaurte Vásquez, and Señor Jorge Ritter, a former Panamanian delegate to the UN, steps in for Senor Jorge Abadia at the Foreign Ministry.

Queen's IOU sold

Wiesbaden (AFP) — A letter signed by Queen Elizabeth I of England acknowledging a debt was sold to a West German businessman for 60,000 marks (£19,000) at an auction here. The catalogue described the IOU as the most important financial document ever sold on the open market. One of the first shares issued by the financial services company American Express, dated 1853, fetched 22,800 marks.

Afghan refugee offer Kabul (AFP) - President Najibullah of Afghanistan

yesterday proposed demilitarized zones along the border with Pakistan to enable the repatriation of an estimated three million Afghan refugees. "We are ready to create a non-military line to allow refugees to return home," he said.

Mr Najibuliah gave no more details but he asked Pakistan
and the Mnjahidin rebels to agree to the proposal.

From Susan MacDonald

Emblazoned across the front page of yesterday's edition of the Communist Party newspaper, L'Humanité, were the words: "You can count on the French Communist Party". It was a beadline with little meaning, for Sunday's presidential election results proved that very few people believe any longer in what was once strongest Communist

Party in Europe. With 6.8 per cent of the vote for their candidate, M André Lajoinie, the Communists obtained their worst score since they first appeared on the rench political scene in 1920. A breakdown of the Com-munist share of the vote since 1969 makes depressing reading. They are seen as mentally stuck in a bygone age.

Their failure to adapt to new realities — judged to be the fault of their long-standing general secretary, M Georges
Marchais — has allowed M breakaway Communist can-

Jean-Marie Le Pen's extreme right National Front to make damaging inroads into the traditional far left.

> Political specialists pointed out yesterday that M Le Pen had touched a chord in the depressed areas where un-qualified young people felt they were going nowhere. His dangerously simplistic

equation that there are three million jobless in France and three million Arab immigrants, therefore Arabs out equals jobs for all the French. means more in areas with high immigrant populations than the wooden language of the

Le Pen sways the electorate to new extremes

French far-left pays

Source: Ministry of Interior

FRENCH PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

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didate, M Pierre Juquin, to try to gaivanize the dwindling Communist electorate with promises of a more modern approach, was obviously too little, too late. His poor show-

ing of 2.1 per cent, combined with M Lajoinie's score, came only to just over half of the 14.4 per cent of votes cast for Although M Marchais yes-

party executive together under the pretext of deciding who to back in the second-round runoff, the overwhelming majority of the far left, including the minuscule following of two likeable "workers' party" candidates — Mme Arlette
Laguiller and M Pierre
Boussel — who scored 2 per
cent and 0.4 per cent respectively, will now fall in behind Mitterrand.

It is less clear which way the 3.8 per cent who voted for the "greens" candidate, M Antoine Waechter, will jump. M Waechter's creditable score was due mainly to the high percentages he obtained in the mountainous regions, where

his ecologist message is wellreceived.

It is said that first time round the French vote with their hearts and second time with their heads, but ecologist sensitivities could lead some to abstain. An overall gatherwould give M Mitterrand just under 50 per cent of the

second-round vote. Besides the efforts now in progress to convince M Raymond Barre's centre-right to step over the thin line that separates them from centreleft, the real Socialist Party work over the next two weeks is to get out and make contact with the young whose first-round vote for M Le Pen was a

cry for help. As one of the team at the party headquarters said: "We now have to roll up our sleeves, get out into the council estates and depressed areas to talk and explain — talk and

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Paris rules out Kanak deal as death toll rises

chetes and a fourth died of his 56 per cent of the population wounds yesterday after being

The other 11 hostages were

The response of M Pons has

given rise to speculation that French paratroopers and police will attempt a rescue

operation. The Kanaks have

warned they would respond by

The Kanaks are demanding

that the weekend local elec-

tions be declared void, that

French forces withdraw from

Ouvéa and that negotiations

Soon after his arrival in

Noumea, the capital of New Caledonia, M Pons went to

the city mortuary where the

three murdered gendarmes

had been taken. He consulted

police and army chiefs before touring the main hospital to

visit some of the wounded

gendarmes who had managed

Commenting on the Kanak

desire to negotiate for in-dependence, M Pons com-

mented: "I am happy to talk to

them but independence will

certainly not be on the

Indications are that French

troops will not be withdrawn

from New Caledonia. About

be held on independence.

killing the hostages.

unexpectedly released at dawn yesterday after negotiations between French authorities

and a local Kanak mayor.

flown to Sydney.

Continuing violence in the French Pacific territory of New Caledonia has claimed the life of a girl aged 18 who was caught in crossfire be-tween French troops and Kanak separatists seeking independence for the islands.

The girl is the first native Melanesian to die in the clashes, in which four French gendarmes have been murlered by Kanak militants over the past three days and at least a dozen others wounded.

M Bernard Pons, the French Oversees Territories Minister, who has arrived from Paris to take charge of operations to secure the release of 16 gendarmes still being held hostage by the Kanaks, announced that there would be no deals. "We will not negotiate with terrorists and murderers. That would be totally unacceptable and there will be no weakness shown on France's part," he

"We don't want any more of our gendarmes killed. We will continue our counter-terrorist action until we have arrested all of those responsible."

The hostages — there were originally 27 — are being held in a maze of underground caves on the coral atoll of Ouvéa where 30 Kanaks seized them on Friday during a raid on the police barracks. Three gendarmes were hacked to death with axes and ma-

- a majority of whom are ethnic French - apparently gnored yesterday's call by the Kanaks for an election boy-cott. Early indications were that most voters preferred M Jacques Chirac for president, and his party in their new local ● YAOUNDE: Voters in the

former French African colony of Cameroun voted solidly for incumbent President Biya, the only candidate in Sunday's general elections, according to first official returns published yesterday (Reuter reports).

Mr Jerome Abondo, the Territorial Administration (Interior) Minister, said Mr Biya polled 100 per cent of the vote cast in half of the eight "departments" (or administrative constituencies) in which results were known.

Mr Biya, aged 55, who succeeded President Ahidjo in 1982, was running unopposed for a second five-year term.

Voters turned out in large numbers for the first parliamentary polls with multiple candidacies since indepen-dence in 1960. They were choosing between two rival lists of candidates, all vetted by the ruling Cameroun Peo-ple's Democratic Movement, in all but 10 of the 49 administrative constituencies. Only a third of outgoing MPs

Arafat consoles PLO widow



Mr Yassir Arafat, the chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization, offering his condolences yesterday in Damascus to the widow and son of Khalil al-Wazir (Abu ports used by members of what Jihad), his military com- Tunis says was an Israeli hit-

in Tanis 10 days ago. Tamisia said it had fresh proof of Israeli involvement in the killing. Two Lebanese pass-

and 1985 by Israeli authorities, the official news agency said. Mr Arafat was in the Syrian capital to meet President Assad and end their bitter

Nato review of summit prospects

Shultz rebukes Danes for nuclear ban

In a move which will put further pressure on Denmark to revise its recently adopted ban on nuclear-armed warships, Mr George Shultz, the United States Secretary of State, yesterday publicly re-buked the Danes for threatening Nato cohesion just as the West was making progress in arms control talks with Moscow. He called on Copenhagen to "measure up to its responsibilities" within the Western alliance.

Speaking at a meeting of the Nato Council, convened to review the prospects for the Moscow superpower summit in a month's time, Mr Shultz said it was because of alliance cohesion that the US had been able to achieve "dramatic progress" in the Soviet-American dialogue over the past three years. "If you like the benefits, you ought to like the responsibilities too," he said.

The crisis was triggered by a Danish parliamentary resolu-tion, pushed through by the ruling was "a real problem". opposition Social Democrats, obliging the Government to ister, Mr Uffe Ellemann-Jen-ready by then President remind visiting warships that sen, said he hoped that in the Reagan and Mr Mikhail Gorb-

terday met European foreign

ministers at Nato head-

quarters in Brussels to review

the prospects for the forth-

coming superpower summit, as well as Nato's difficulties

over Denmark's non-nuclear

The foreign ministers then

travelled to Luxembourg for a

two-day meeting on EEC ties with Turkey — but also on East-West relations, arms con-

trol and Western reactions to

Nato is a defence alliance,

and the EEC is primarily an economic body, but there is a

increasingly large grey area between the two. This is shown by current difficulties

involving countries at the extremities of Europe: Turkey

in the south, and Denmark in

the north. Turkey is an enthu-

siastic member of Nato and wants to be in the EEC as well;

Denmark, by contrast, is an

increasing equivocal member

Ankara sees its membership

of Nato as a trump card in the

Turkish application to become the 13th member of the

EEC. A quarter of a century

Middle East hijackings.

policy.



problem for the alliance. banned from Danish ports.

Mr Shultz said "Danish politics were an internal matter, and he had no wish to inter-fere." But each Nato member had to make the best contribution it could, and the Danish The Danish Foreign Min-

Mr George Shuitz, the United States Secretary of State, yes-should not reap the economic None the less, Turk

defences through Nato.

Greece may be slightly softening its opposition to this. A spirit of rapprochement still survives three months after the fence-mend-

Brussels View

By Richard Owen

ing meeting between the

Greek and Turkish prime

ministers in the Swiss moun-

The West Germans, who hold the presidency of the EEC Council of Ministers until Greece takes over in

July, will urge members at Luxembourg to unblock £400 million of EEC aid to Ankara

on the ground that the Turks have made substantial prog-

Despite the "spirit of Da-

vos", Greece is unlikely to go

quite so far as to drop its veto

matter, retain strong doubts

ress in restoring democracy.

tain resort of Davos.

should not reap the economic benefits of EEC membership loyal member of Nato, and if

in return for helping Western the EEC continues to develop

against the aid to Ankara. and has set alarm bells ringing Many EEC states, for that at Nato headquarters here. It

about Turkey's human rights of a visit due to have been

anex surkey signed its associated and the second, its presence in Cyprus, made to Denmark this week leave the FEC altogether.

ending Denmark's reputation as a difficult ally. Reporting on his talks in

Moscow at the end of last week, Mr Shultz said the simerpowers, having signed the INF Treaty removing medium-range missiles from Europe at the last summit, were now at the "pick and shovel" stage of negotiating the details of a proposed agreement on strategic arms reductions (Start). Nato had agreed that it would not be rushed into a bad Start agree-ment because of an "artificial timetable", Mr Shultz said. Strategic weapons were the heart of Western deterrence, and many difficulties had yet to be resolved over verification and the link between Start and space defences.

Mr Shultz told Nato he would meet Mr Eduard Shevardnadze, the Soviet Foreign Minister, again on May 11 and 12 to make final summit preparations. But if the Start treaty was still not

a security and foreign policy as

part of the 1992 integration

process, a Turkish presence in the Community could come to

seem a natural concomitant to

its Nato role. Nato-EEC cross-

fertilization, in other words, works to Ankara's benefit.

The reverse applies to neutral Denmark (and to some

extent to neutral Ireland, al-

though Dublin so far seems

better able to reconcile its neutrality with EEC dis-cussion of security issues).

This week's Nato nuclear

planning group meeting should have taken place at

Kolding in Denmark, but has

been transferred to Brussels

because of the vote in the

Folketing requiring the non-Socialist coalition of Mr Poul

Schluter to inform visiting

Nato warships that Denmark forbids nuclear weapons in

This poses obvious prob-

lems for Britain and the US,

prompted the postponement

called over the nuclear issue, would still have "a very heavy voters would give clear backing to Nato membership, thus rights and regional troubles. US officials have said a

further summit may be needed before Mr Reagan hands over the presidency in January. But Mr Shultz said that if the Start talks continued into the next US Administration there would be no hiatus or loss of momentum, since all presidential candidates supported the American proposals for a 50 per cent reduction in strategic arsenals.

Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, said before leaving Nato for an EEC foreign ministers' meeting in Luxembourg that Washington's "tenacity and re-alism" had paid dividends over the past three years of US-Soviet dialogue, and Mr Shultz had shown the "singlemindedness and stamina of the long-distance runner".

Sir Geoffrey said there ap-peared to be progress in the Vienna talks on conventional force reductions, with Moscow at last accepting a link between conventional arms reductions and human rights issues within the framework of nuclear-armed vessels are Danish elections on May 10, achov, the Soviet leader, the European security process. Fight for soul of a reluctant member

by Lord Carrington, the Nato

Mr Schluter and his Foreign

Minister, Mr Uffe Ellemann-

Jensen, argue that they are as loyal to the Western alliance

in the Baltic region as the Turks are on Nato's southern

flank. But a series of resolu-

tions pushed through the

Folketing by the left-wing opposition have chipped away at the postwar consensus on

Denmark's place in Western strategy. Many Danes are unsettled by exploratory moves within Europe on joint defence, whether through the

EEC or the Western European

Whether the evolution of a

European defence and sec-

unity policy takes place in the WEU or the EEC, in other words, the process seems likely to benefit countries which have fewest doubts about playing a full role in an

But the trend will exacer-

bate tensions in Denmark, where many people are al-ready uneasy about European

unification and 1992. Anti-EEC feeling is so high, and so consistent, that it could all too

easily spill over into a move to

integrated Europe.

Secretary-General.

Slump threatens Soviet reform From Michael Binyon, Washington

pose grave political and social problems for the Soviet leadership, according to a study, by US intelligence agencies, released at the

weekend. The annual report by the Central Intelligence Agency and the Defence Intelligence Agency to the congressional joint economic committee says that the Soviet growth rate has levelled off to almost zero. The country has now slipped back to the economic stagnation that existed when Mr Gorbachov came to power

three years ago. This slowdown coincides with an increase in demands on the country's labour force. The 1987 figures contrast sharply with the progress measured in a similar study last year, which then concluded that the Gorbachov reforms

were showing initial success. "Whatever direction Gor-

A disastrous slump in the identified bureaucrats, con-about 20 per cent of industrial savings bank deposits rose 10 Soviet economy last year may sumers and military leaders as production. Other reforms, per cent.

| American analysts have | American analysts have | American analysts have | The study said the 4 per cent and increased decentraliza-

spurt in economic growth tion also hurt performance by during 1986 was followed by a sending conflicting signals to slump reminiscent of the late local managers and offering during 1986 was followed by a Brezhnev era". The produc- few real incentives to workers.

tion of goods and services grew by only 0.5 per cent. Soviet statistics released ear-Moscow — Work has been here on the first golf course in the

Soviet Union, Tass said (AFP reports). The course, which will be mainly used by foreigners, should be ready by about September. Honorary members include the British actor, Sean Connery, and the US golfer, Arnold Palmer, Tass said.

It said the Soviet leadership had hoped a strong perfor-mance last year would provide a firm foundation for the future of Mr Gorbachov's economic programme, but this did not occur. The reforms themselves

were mainly to blame for the poor results, although the bachov follows, we believe harsh winter also played a year rose only slightly, while that if the economy continues part. A tough new quality to perform poorly in the next control agency is empowered few years, tension within society and the leadership will to meet standards at 1,500 continue," the report said. It Soviet enterprises, covering did not have enough to buy, promised by 1991.

lier this year showed an potential increases in coneconomic growth of 2.3 per sumer prices are undercutting the prospects for improved worker productivity," the report said.

> "The real loser in 1987 appeared to be the consumer who - now three years into Mr Gorbachov's economic programme - has seen almost no increase in his standard of living." The study said that per capita consumption last sales of key consumer goods, such as vegetables and cloth-ing, declined. And in a further indiction that Soviet shoppers

bad, if not worse, than ever. The poor figures also suggest a gloomy outlook for the widespread economic changes introduced at the beginning of this year. Industrial growth

fell to 1.5 per cent in earlier

become rough as the eco-

nomic reforms enter a critical

phase, and that improved

results will take several years

to show up. The shortages in Soviet shops are said to be as

predicted that the

experiments to make Soviet industry more self-sustaining. Things did not appear much brighter for this year, the report said. The Soviet economy would have to grow by 8 per cent to meet targets in the current five-year plan. But growth was likely to be limited instead to 2 per cent for the

next few years. The report thinks it unlikely that the leadership will retreat from its reform programme. But the key will be how vigorously the most contro-versial elements are pursued especially the wholesale re-form of retail prices, now

Foreign policy handicap for Dukakis

Philadelphia — How far will foreign policy matter in this election? The answer to this way well determine question may well determine who becomes the next President of the United States.

Vice-President George Bush will stake his claim on the themes of continuity and experience. Here is Mr Reagan's right-hand man ready to take over where the retiring President leaves off. Above all, here is a man well

Above ait, here is a man well versed in international affairs, knowing from the inside American foreign policy decisions and negotiations over the past eight years, and personally acquainted with all the principal leaders of the world. That will be the main thrust

of the Bush appeal. The more the issue is who can best lead the United States in a dangerous and complex world the more it will suit the Vice-By contrast, Mr Michael Dukakis, who now seems cer-

tain to be the Democratic candidate, is concentrating on domestic questions. Whether in public or in private, he reverts most happily to the problems of health, housing, jobs and drugs.

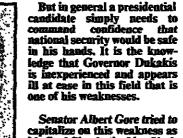


Geoffrey Smith

are the issues with which he is most familiar. They are also the issues with which most voters are most concerned most of the time.

But not all of the time. The electorate wants to feel comfortable that whoever is in the White House knows how to handle the great questions of national security and, one might add, national pride as well.

It is in this generalized sense that international affairs usually matter in American politics. Specific issues of foreign policy are not so often As a state governor these of much consequence.



capitalize on this weakness as his final fling in the New York primary before withdrawing from the race. He alleged that Mr Dukakis was being dan-gerously naive in saying that he would be prepared if nec-essary to use nuclear weapons in response to a Soviet con-ventional attack on Western

In fact Mr Dukakis was not threatening to use nuclear weapons. He was simply refusing to rule out their use. Had he done so he would have been saying in effect that Nato's nuclear weapons could no longer balance Soviet super-iority in conventional strength

Yet, while to my mind Mr Dukakis was in the right, he did not seem comfortable with the issue. That was evident both when Senator Gore sub-

conversation with me. He gave me the impression of being have been attacked on defence from a doveish angle.

This points both to an unfamiliarity with these issues and to an instinct on foreign policy that might make it a little difficult for him to get on the same wavelength as Mrs

If he is to be elected he will not need to convince the American voters that he would be superior to Mr Bush in the luct of foreign policy, but he will have to reassure them that a Dukakis administration could be trusted in this field.

That is what gives special significance to the possibility of Senator Sam Nunn combining the roles of Vice-president and National Security Adviser. A Dukakis-Nunn ticket, with Mr Nanu having a strong executive role, would hold out the prospect of a hard-headed foreign policy.

What Mr Dukakis has to do is to neutralize foreign policy as an issue. Then he would be well placed to fight the election on domestic policy, where his sequently challenged him in a appeal is stronger and where televised debate, and in his be is obviously more assured.

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So many babies are stolen in Brazil that some maternity hospitals now employ armed guards.

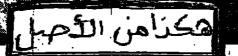
These babies are sold for up to £15,000 by baby-trade gangs, usually to childless couples from the West, including Britain.

Tonight on ITV, Roger Cook exposes the babies-for-sale scandal, following the story of one baby which was stolen at birth and trafficked to Israel.

Once again, Britain's leading investigative journalist has unearthed evidence of a major, worldwide scandal. See ITV tonight at 8.00pm.



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Japan uses Europe as launchpad for greater global role

midable economic power -

the world's largest creditor,

foreign currency reserves. This demands that Tokyo now

the world from which it has

s that Japan now feels con-

fident enough to voice some of

its own complaints along the

lines of the "dynamic and

plain-speaking partnership outlined by Sir Geoffrey

Howe, the Foreign Secretary,

Booming British exports,

however, mean that London is

determined to try and look on

the bright side despite initial

benefit from the recent Japa-

firms to compete in the

construction market. The

fears were dispelled when a

terminal contract for the new

Kansai International airport

give specific favours to Amer-

ica but treat Europe in a non-

discriminatory manner. All

right, then, please stop your

discrimination against Japan.

"During the time we had a

and your economy was in

stagnation and you suffered

from unemployment, al-

though we harboured a strong

resentment against your

discrimination, we thought it

"But now that things are

that's what we'd like to say,"

Mr Murata said.

was won by a French firm.

The reverse side of that coin

benefited so much.

in January.

largest foreign investor

The visit of Mr Noboru the European-Japanese rela-Takeshita, the Japanese Prime Minister, to London next month marks the start of a new emphasis here on relations with Europe.

The Japanese Foreign Ministry recently dispatched its leading European expert, Mr Ryohei Murata, the Deputy Foreign Minister, to Europe to prepare the way for what is billed as an important policy initiative. His trip is seen as an indication of the importance Japan is attaching to establishing stronger links with Europe. Mr Takeshita will take with



Mr Murata: Dispatched by Tokyo to introduce policy.

believes are strong tokens of Japanese resolve to play a world role: the dispatch of a Japanese official to join the United Nations team monitoring the withdrawal of Soviet troops from Afghanistan and commitments to fund the reconstruction of the war-ravaged country after the fighting ends.

Japan has also been helping the financing of the peaceseeking efforts and is already a key financial supporter of Afghan refugees.

These are things that did not happen 10-15 years ago," Mr Murata told *The Times* in his first interview with a foreign correspondent. "These are the causes why Europe not fitting and proper to make now looks at Japan somewhat a big issue out of this. differently compared to a couple of years ago and so we moving into a more construchope the Prime Minister's tive and positive direction in visit will open a new page in our relations, if you ask Japan as that of Europe's."

something then I think we are also entitled to ask you to treat tionship." Japan's willingness to take even tentative political Japan more fairly and nonsteps into the cauldron of

discriminatorily. world conflicts and to make a Focusing in particular on French and Italian restrictions contribution to the Western camp come at a time when it on Japanese cars, he articuhas shown much greater abil-ity to meet the West's ecolated a growing concern among Japanese bureaucrats nomic demands than before. that the single European mar-Mr Takeshita recognizes

ket in 1992 will mean EECthat his country is a forwide adoption of such restrictive measures rather than the alleviation Tokyo hopes for in the face of the possibility of and the largest holder of increased US protectionism. "It may require some time make greater contributions to

but Europeans, as a whole, have to think more about this sort of thing," Mr Murata said. "At least in this century Europe will never make a single political entity and it is good that way because each nation has to keep its own national character, that's what makes Europe great." Meanwhile, the difficulties

of dealing with the EEC are no less formidable than ever. "But," the Japanese minister said, "a very positive will is there on our part. So it is at least partly up to the Europefear that Europe would not ans how they would like to exploit this preparedness of nese commitment to allow US the Japanese Desite the profound Japa-

nese admiration for European cultures the level of exchanges does not approach that with the United States. "There aren't yet enough discussions "You say Japan shouldn't and dialogues, at a very high level, of an intellectual nature, compared with what we have with the Americans on the world economic situation. strategic issues and so on."

The basis for discussions must be the sort of real understanding that is lacking huge one-sided trade surplus at present, along with greater exchanges on such things as science and technology. European mistrust of Japa-

nese intentions and the fear that firms will exploit research for commercial purposes is misplaced in the view of Mr Murata: "I'm pretty sure that in 20 years, our level of not only applied but basic research will be at least as high



Dhaka strikers defy Ershad

government slogans during an opposition-led half-day strike that brought Dhaka to a virtual halt yesterday. Bombs exploded in the capital as protesters staged their 28th general strike in five mouths (Our Foreign Staff writes). Police said no injuries were reported from the five home-made bombs.

About 5,000 paramilitary police patrolled Dhaka where shops, offices and banks were shut by the strike. Most private cars stayed off the road, but government buses and a large number of cycle rickshaws moved normally.

The opposition coalition called the strike to disrupt the opening of the new Parliament by President Ershad. It boycotted the March 3 elections which, it said, was rigged by the

The house press gallery was empty for President Ershad's speech as local journalists boycotted the session, demanding withdrawal of a ban on the daily Banglar Bani, a supporter of the opposition Awami League.

In his address to Parliament, President Ershad called for a national consensus on his proposal to make Islam a state religion If ecessary, a referendum could be called, he told a tightly-guarded House. More than 85 per cent of Bangladesh's 105 million population are Muslims. But most of the main opposition parties and socio-cultural groups have opposed the idea.

President Ershad's ruling Jatiya Party won 251 seats in the 300-member House in elections boycotted by the main opposition groups, which have been waging a campaign of strikes and protests to unseat him. Korean elections

Roh seeks vote to tighten grip

to democracy today with general elections that will determine a fate either of stable government or of more political turmoil.

The fervour has been confined mainly to candidates running for 224 seats in an enlarged National Assembly, will wield unprecedented influence under a new liberal constitution.

Ironically the electorate, after staging a momentous rebellion against four decades of authoritarian rule last summer, is displaying less interest in the fruits of its victory.

The lack of enthusiasm may be attributed to disenchantment with the fragmented opposition, abiding mistrust of the ruling party, and dismay at the partisan rhetoric and slander being bandied between them. A turbulent election campaign, married by bribery and sporadic violence, has generated more heat than light, partly because of the high stakes involved.

The ruling Democratic Jus-tice Party (DJP) argues correctly that an opposition victory would result in five years of futile confrontation between Parliament and the executive, led by President Roh Tae Woo.

But the opposition parties insist that they must obtain a majority to keep the DJP from ruling in the authoritarian manner of previous regimes.

The conflict is sharpened by personal animosities. Party activists have been beating each other up and firebombing rival offices. This unseemly behaviour

has been widely condemned by newspaper commentators and voters, who exhibit more political maturity than their prospective legislators. Not surprisingly, canvassers detect a high percentage of

undecided voters and predict a relatively low turn-out. is a system, designed to ensure a working majority for the most popular party, under which an additional 75 assem-

bly seats are allocated propor-

In a curiously mixed mood of passion and apathy, South Korea completes its transition DJP contenders for these privileged positions is replete with party stalwarts, while those of the opposition parties are dominated by business-

men who have made substantial donations. Denouncing what it termed "political pollution", the in-fluential Dong-A Ilbo newspaper commented: "It is nothing less than a tragedy that people without any new political vision or special tal-

ents, or commitment to

Seoul (AFP) — President Roh's party said yesterday it was dropping an election can-didate who was caught mailing thousands of envelopes containing £15 each in cash to buy votes, and it publicly apolo gized. Prosecution sources said the candidate, Mr Kwon Jung Dong, a former labour minister, would be arrested.

democracy, can be out high on a list of nominated seats merely by donating money. Mr Rob has successfully

kept himself above the partisan strife, and won plaudits last week by honouring an election pledge to disclose his personal assets. At £370,000. they were adjudged modest for one who has held a succession of influential positions in a country where power and

wealth are inextricably linked. He also emerged unscathed from a televised news conference. The Korea Times, which is normally critical of the ruling party, said that Mr Roh "has impressed the people with his firm determination to become an honest and faithful president".

Mr Roh's growing popularity may be an important factor, but in the absence of reliable opinion polls the outcome of the vote remains uncertain. However, the popular consensus is that the DJP will gain a working majority.

Student protest: About 500 Another controversial issue students, who were protesting a system, designed to ensure over alleged cheating by the working majority for the DJP, hurled more than 200 firebombs at riot police in Scoul at Sung Kyun Kwan

emjanjuk's son refuses to imagine his father is guilty The death penalty has only once

From Ian Morray Jerusalem

John Demjanjuk Jnr is proud of his name, in spite of the fact that his father has just been sentenced to death for helping to murder 870,000 people in the Nazi death camp of Treblinka.

He is proud of his name because he is convinced of his father's innocence, and he believes deeply that, far from being a mass murderer, his father is a hero and a freedom fighter.

The defence is busy preparing an appeal against the 400-page verdict which, last week, found that Demjanjuk was "Ivan the Terrible", the executioner at Treblinka. Mr John Chumak, the Canadian QC of Ukrainian descent who is masterminding the strategy, has said: "We have strong, valid grounds for appeal on legal matters, particularly the court's finding about identification." The defence was so eager to start the appeal that it asked, unsuccessfully, for sentencing to take place last Tuesday, because only when sentence

• The sort of person who could kill in that way would be a psychopath who could not stop killing. He could not change profoundly to be the kind and gentle person my father is 9

has been passed can the appeal be lodged. The prosecution, however, said that it wanted time to present its views on the sentence and so the hearing was delayed until

been carried out in Israel. That was on Adolf Eichmann, who devised the Holocaust strategy which "Ivan the Terrible" executed so brutally

John Demjanjuk Jnr was aged only 11 when he heard that the father he so admired was being accused of unimaginably hideous crimes. At first, the family thought it was a cruel joke or a mistake. Demjanjuk's wife and three children have never believed there was any possibility that the accusations were true. "The sort of person who could kill in that way would be a psychopath who couldn't stop killing," Demjanjuk's son told The Times.

"He could not change pro-foundly to be the kind and gentle person my father is. He couldn't hurt anybody. When I was a boy we never went fishing because he

couldn't even bear to put a worm on the hook."He is just a kind man, the sort who stops his car to help someone who has broken down. He is incapable of the crime he is supposed to have committed." The family knew about the

father's suffering as a boy and young man in the Ukraine before the war, of his capture by the Germans, and his life as a prisone of war. "He was frightened because ev-

ery Russian soldier is supposed to die rather than be captured. He was always scared that he would be found out and made to suffer by the KGB. He was right to be scared." Since his father was extradited to

Israel two years ago, Mr Demjanuk Jur has been his spokesman. The family has had to become fundraisers to meet the huge cost of legal bills. Their home in Cleveland, Ohio, has been mortgaged

£150,000. With the help of the Ukrainian community, the legal battle will go on. In prison Demjanjuk has been swamped with letters of support. "I guess he's got

• He sees that Christ died for the sins of others and he is philosophical about what is happening to him. He believes he is being called on, though innocent, to pay for the war crimes of others

more penfriends than anyone in the world," his son said. He answers all the letters and spends a lot of his time reading the Bible, particularly

the New Testament.

sins of others. He is philosophical about what is happening to him. He believes that, in a way, he is now being called on, though innocent, to pay for the war crimes of others. What if the continuing search for

evidence eventually revealed that Ivan the Terrible' really was his father? "Then he should hang," his son said firmly. "The man who did those things should hang, whoever he is. But he is not my father."

But Mr Yona Blattman, the State Attorney, dismissed the argument that "Ivan the Terrible" was only a small cog in the Nazi machine. "He stood at the gateway to the inferno and went about his duties with zeal," he said. "With his own hands he joined in the deaths of tens of thousands. He did so willingly. He is a major criminal against humanity. One of the arch henchmen of

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Solidarity stoppage halts city Warsaw - A strike has para-

lysed a Polish city for the first time since martial law effectively destroyed Solidarity's weapon of industrial unrest

drivers in Bydgoszcz abandoned their vehicles yesterday to protest against a refusal to meet demands for higher pay. Within hours the strike spread to nearby Inowroclaw.

In recent months, many industries have faced fierce bargaining as trade unions argued for increased pay to halt declining living standards. For some weeks, ru-mours have circulated in Warsaw that factories have been capitulating to the de-

Controversy over Swapo man's murder

Woman takes Botha to court

From Michael Hornsby, Katutura, Namibia ism in an "operational area".

A 35-year-old black woman. Miss Hilda Shifidi, who works -as a hospital cleaner in this dusty township outside the Namibian capital, Windhoek, has taken President Botha to another for members of the TCOULT.

- "I am not afraid of Mr Botha. If he did something unlawful, he must accept the consequences like everyone else. Miss Shifidi said in the tiny kitchen of her four-room box house, identical to thousands of others in this sprawling black settlement.

Miss Shifidi carns £50 a

month as a cleaner and the Council of Churches of Namibia is paying the legal costs of her challenge to the South African President.

On March 18 of this year, Mr Botha, using his presidential powers, issued a certificate stopping the trial of six soldiers, four whites and two blacks, who were accused by the state of murdering Miss Shifidi's 56-year-old father. Mr Immanuel Shifidi. Mr Botha cited a section of

the Defence Act which empowers him to halt legal proceedings against soldiers or policemen if he is of the opinion that they acted "in good faith ... for the purposes of, or in connection with, the prevention or suppression of terrorism in any operational area", and if he also believes that bringing them to trial would harm the "national

The President's intervention, coming only a day after he had refused clemency for - the Sharpeville Six on the ground that he did not inter-fere in the due process of the aw, caused a furore.

The General Council of the Bar in South Africa said Mr

Botha had left the impression "that two standards of obedience to justice exist - one for the ordinary citizen and

Miss Shifidi has applied to the Windhoek Supreme Court to have Mr Botha's certificate stopping the trial declared ultra vires. Her counsel will argue that, even in terms of the Defence Act, which gives almost carte blanche legal protection to the security forces, no reasonable person could conclude that the accused had been acting either in

Those allegedly implicated in Mr Shifidi's death are Colonel Johannes Vorster, Colonel Willem Welgemoed, Commandant Antonie Botes, Lieutenant Nicolaas Prinsloo, Corporal Eusebius Kashimbi and Rifleman Steven Festus. All are members of the South-West Africa Territory Force, the Namibian arm of the South African Defence Force.

state witnesses.

The state's case against the men, compiled by the Attor-ney General of Namibia on evidence amassed during an earlier inquest and a lengthy police investigation, is that

complicity in the murder dur-

south of Johannesburg.

good faith or to combat terror-Pretoria fights against Sharpeville Six retrial be reopened in order to con-sider this claim, and also to review the credibility of other

Pretoria (AP) - State pros-ecutors in South Africa said yesterday that they would oppose an attempt to reopen the trial of the Sharpeville Six, the group of blacks sentenced to hang for complicity in a mob killing.

Mr P. J. Van Zyl, the reg-istrar of the Pretoria Supreme Court, said yesterday that the Attorney General of Transvaal province had filed a notice of intention to oppose the defence lawyers' applica-tion to reopen the trial. He said that a ruling on the matter was expected on May 3.

The six - five men and a woman - were granted a stay of execution on March 17, the day before they were sched-uled to hang, after their lawyers filed papers contending that a key state witness had been coerced by the police into giving false testimony.

The lawyers want the trial to

they conspired to cause a riot at a lawful political rally and that in the ensuing fracas Mr Shifidi was stabbed to death.

The raily, attended by some 2,000 people on an open space between a church and a school used by the local residents as a football field, was organized by the South-West Africa People's Organization (Swapo), the guerrilla movement which has been fighting for Namibia's independence for the past

Mr Shifidi was a founding member of Swapo, and shortly before his death had been released from 18 years in jail on Robben Island.

Earlier in 1986, the Supreme Court in Windhoek had declared invalid a law that, in effect, had prohibited Swapo political meetings. The court's decision infuriated many army and police officers.

Had the trial gone ahead, the state would have produced The six have been the object of a massive international evidence purporting to show campaign for clemency, with that the accused arranged for 54 black members of 101 Battalion to be taken by bus to many Western government leaders joining in a call for the sentences to be commuted. Windhoek, where they were They were convicted of told to dress in civilian clothes, arm themselves with ing September, 1984, of a black municipal councillor, Kuzwayo Dhlamini, during riots against rent increases in knives, clubs and bows and arrows and ordered to infiltrate the Swapo rally for the specific purpose of assaulting those present. the township of Sharpeville,

About 50 witnesses would have been called to give evidence, nearly all of them The case has caused controversy in part because the soldiers and police oficers. It is were not convicted of contributing physically to Dhlamini's death. Instead, rumoured that very senior territorial force officers, incl- a film star he must some uding its former chief, Majorthey were found guilty under General George Meiring, the doctrine of common purpose, which holds them might also have been subpoeresponsible because they were naed to appear, and that this is allegedly active participants in one reason why Mr Botha

"He sees that Christ died for the Gandhi faces sternest poll

test in dynasty's heartland

In the pleasant tree-lined streets of Allahabad, which are now becoming uncomfortably warm as summer approaches, the Indian oppo-sition is lying in wait for Mr Rajiv Gandhi, the Prime Minister, to make a wrong move.

Allahabad is an important city, at the junction of two of India's holiest rivers, the Ganges and the Yamma, and occupies an especially high position in the histories of the independence mayorant the home of the Nehrus and birthplace of Pandit Nehru and Indira Gandhi.

But a parliamentary byelection due to be held there is bringing it a new prominence. Mr Gandhi's Government will face its sternest examination over the allegations of corruption and financial malpractice billowing around it.

Ailahabad was picked by Amitabh Bachchan, the film star, when he ran for Parliament. He was elected handliament. He was elected hand-somely, but resigned last year when the pressure of inquiry, of suspicion and just plain malice surrounding the Bofors pay-offs scandal got too much for him to bear.

Not that anything was ever proved against him. He is a close and long-standing friend of the Prime Minister, and his brother, Ajitabh, was caught out in some tricky dealing in trying to establish a residence in Switzerland.

There is a suspicion nothing more - that since he earns a great deal of money as be smoggling it into Swiss bank accounts. Maybe, just maybe, then he knows enough about such matters to be involved in smuggling the Prime Minister's mency into

Swiss bank accounts too.

It is not much on which to base a principled attack on the probity of the Government, but the Opposition is trying hard to make something — anything — stick, and if Mr Bachchan intends to return to Parliament in the by-election they want to be ready for him. Accordingly, a former Cabinet minister, Mr V. P. Singh,

was in Allahahad all last

week, and is promising to stay there until nomination day for Delhi (AFP) - Mr Buta Singh, the Indian Minister of Home Affairs, accused the former President, Mr Zail Singh, of harboring criminals and of hatching plots while in office to topple the Government, newspapers reported yes-terday. He made his claims at the annual meeting of the

ruling Congress party in the southern state of Tamil Nadu. the by-election — polls will be held in Allahabad and six other constituencies in the third week of June - so that if Mr Bachchan is nominated be can oppose him.

If the ruling Congress party puts in a lesser candidate Mr Singh will not bother, but he does not want to be caught napping by a last-minute dodge on nomination day. Mr Singh, who if India had not abolished its little king-

doms would be the Rajah of Mandi, is the leading hope for opposition unity in any forth-coming election. He was Mr Royal Blue Incorruptible" in the Cabinet of Mr Gandhi until he was dismissed in a row over the way he prosecuted inquiries into financial scandals as Finance Minister and defence contract scandals as Defence Minister.

Now he parades his incorruptibility as a stick to beat Mr Gandhi. He has formed his own group, the Jan Morcha, or People's Front.

It is not yet a party, because that would invite trouble in Parliament to his followers through the application of an anti-defection law. But it is plain that once Parliament is dissolved it will become a party and will be the nucleus of the opposition's attack on

If it comes to an election battle in Allahabad between Mr Bachchan and Mr Singh, it will be a difficult engage-ment to forecast. Mr Bach-chan has his own popularity, but Mr Singh's kingdom is not far away and, as a locally popular aristocrat, he would also have a special appeal.

The advantage to the opposition is that it would be declaring the terms of the engagement, for the agenda of engagement, for the agents of debate can only contain one item — the allegations of corruption. If Congress walks away from the fight by not nominating Mr Bachchan, then that too will be greeted by the constitutions. the opposition as an admission of defeat. Either way, Mr Gandhi is going to have a tough time.

Trying to move the debate in Allahabad away from the personality issue, Mr Gandhi said that Congress policies and programmes should be challenged, not individuals.

Mr Singh has reacted enthusiastically. He demanded that if the Congress candidate lost, Mr Gandhi himself should resign. A de-feat, he said, would mean "a

(Richard Bassett writes).

Tiger scare

Hong Kong (Reuter) — A search for two tigers reportedly seen near the border with China was called off after police marksmen from the wild pig hunting unit killed two stray dogs.

Wall tumbles

Berlin (Reuter) — A 55-ft section of the Berlin Wall collapsed into West Berlin. East German workers will be allowed to cross the border today to clear the rubble. Airline threat

dic clerical workers said they would stop all international flights from tomorrow in an

Reykjavik (Reuter) - Icelan-

escalation of a strike which began last Friday. Oil pipe leak San Francisco — Leaking pipes released nearly 18,000 gallons of oil just outside San Francisco Bay, causing a slick which killed birds along 10

miles of shoreline. Border accord Aba Dhabi (Reuter) - The leaders of North and South Yemen have agreed to reduce

their frontier to lower the risk of confrontation. **Babies left**

Peking (Reuter) - Authorities have set up a register of abandoned babies after 38 infants were found in Peking's

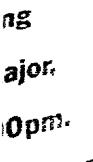
the number of troops guarding

main station last year. Golden hoard Bennekom (AP) - Eight

Dutch children found two jars of gold coins and jewels, worth

£113,000, while digging foundations for their youth club. Drug testing

Kaala Lumper (AP) - Malaysia's Government is considrejection of the policies and ering instituting mandatory programmes of Congress". | drug testing for its employees.



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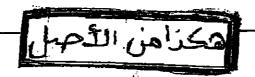
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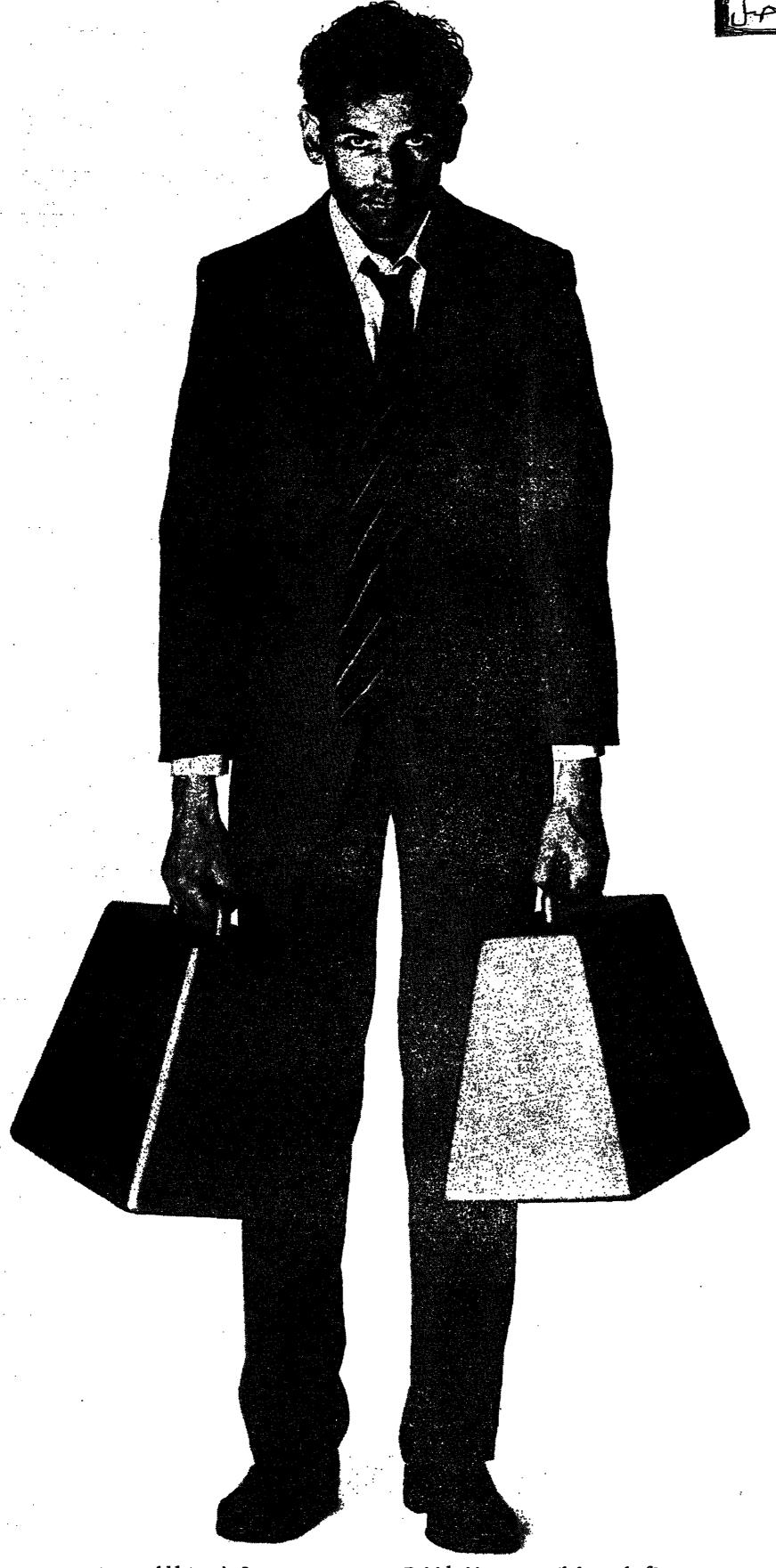
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PARLIAMENT

European fighter gets government go-ahead

The Government is prepared to go ahead with the fall development of the European Fighter Aircraft, MPs were told in a

Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Defence, said that the decision was subject to a similar affirmative decision by the other three partners: the German, Italian and Spanish governments.

The development task would give long-term employment for between 3,000 and 4,000 people in the United Kingdom. The full development would cost about £1.7

He said the EFA was needed by the RAF to replace its air defence Phantoms and ground attack Jaguars, which were at the end of their lives, and should complement

the Tornado F3 air defence aircraft.

The Warsaw Pact was well equipped with nodern, high-performance fighters and an agile aircraft with the characteristics of the EFA was essential to maintain effective air defences beyond the late 1990s. The EFA would also have a ground attack capability.

He added: The prime contractors will be the annex: The prime constructors will be the Eurofighter consortium for the aircraft as a whole and the Eurofet consortium for the EJ200 engine. British Aerospace and Rolls-Royce respectively will play key roles in these consortia, drawing on invaluable experience painted during the Experimental Aircraft. Painted will be a consorted and on the VC40. Aircraft Programme and on the XG40 engine demonstrator programme, both of which have been partly funded from the Overall, the United Kingdom will have a 33 per cent workshare in the development of

The EFA programme is of vital importance to the UK aerospace industry. Although the technology involved is highly advanced, it is based on concepts proven during project definition and by the various demonstrator programmes.

We have insisted that the prime con-tractors accept a very tight commercial package and the contracts we are drawing up will place the technical and financial risks firmly where they should be, on the industrial consortia rather than on the Government. All sub-contractors for the aircraft's equipment will be subject to

Total cost £6bn to £7bn

The overall cost to Britain of the European Fighter Aircraft would be £6 billion to £7 billion, Mr George Younger said in response to questions after his announcement of the go-ahead of the

The Secretary of State for Defence also said that he expected Britain's partners to give affirmative decisions on the project within the next two weeks.

Mr Denzil Davies, chief Opposition spokesman on defence, said that after all the doubts and delays of the past, the statement would be greeted with some relief, both within the RAF and the aerospace and defence in-dustries. There would also be relief that on this occasion the Government had been forced to support British and European technology, as it had not in the cases of Nimrod and Westland.

What would be the total cost to the Government of the whole project? What would be the unit-cost per aircraft to the UK? Would the RAF get the 250 aircraft that it needed? How many aircraft would be ordered by the other European partners? Since the defence budget was

under so much pressure, what projects would be cancelled and what commitments dropped to pay for the cost of this aircraft? There was considerable public

concern as to whether Mr Younger and his department were capable of managing such a complex project as this in view of the appalling record of successive Conservative defence ministers on early-warning air-

DEFENCE

craft, radar, torpedoes and mis-siles from 1979 onwards.

"Can he satisfy both sides of the House that he has the will on this matter to put his own house in order and not waste even more taxpayers' money?"

billion when completed.

There was no change in the UK declared production uptake, which remained at 250 aircraft. It was too early in the project to forecast the eventual size of the



Mr Younger said that he was grateful for Mr Davies' welcome on the decision. The total cost was still to be absolutely defined, but he expected it to be in the order of £6 billion or £7 billion when completed.

gone wrong, the contracts were those placed and drawn up under the previous Labour Administration which the Gov-ernment had had to put right.

dragged along behind.

affirmative decisions from the other countries involved in the

UK purchase or other partners' purchase of the EFA.

It was inevitably the case when anything was spent on defence that something else had to make way for it in the

After exhaustive discussions, this was affordable within the defence budget and it was likely to be considerably cheaper than the Tornado programme, which was already being successfully accomplished. accomplished.

Mr Davies had a certain amount of courage in raising the matter of management. The Government had been following a policy of a major change in

The type of contract being drawn up nowadays — and this was a typical example — was one where responsibility was placed firmly on the main contractor. In almost every case cited by Mr Davies where things had

Mr Norman Tebbit (Ching-ford, C) said that the Govern-ment had taken a timely decision, which would enable it to take the lead rather than be

Mr Younger said that it was desireable that the Government should make its position clear. Its European partners would appreciate the lead it had taken. Mr Alan Beith (Berwick-upon-Tweed, SLD) asked when the Government expected to get

Younger: Decisions

making their decisions within the next week or two; therefore affirmative decisions could be expected in the fairly near

Mr Michael Stern (Bristol North West, C) said that the decision would be welcomed by British Aerospace and Rolls-Royce. The announcement would bring to an end a period of uncertainty, which had been contributed to by the "poormouthing" from the Opposition Front Bench, who had been the only people to oppose the project until now.

Mr Younger said that there had been much gloomy speculation, but tribute should be paid to British Aerospace and Rolls-Royce for their persistence and for putting in considerable amounts of their own resources into the project. They should feel pleased with the outcome.

Mr Peter Hardy (Wentworth, Lab) asked whether the French were still interested in the aircraft and if they decided to renew their interest, would the Government ensure that they would not receive the bargain. they had been pursuing a year or two 200?

Mr Younger said that he appreciated the point. He would not exclude the possibility of other countries joining, or rejoining, the project, but it was fairly clearly defined and he would not wish to see it interpreted by cook propositions. rupted by such negotiations. The Government was in close touch with the French on all sorts of procurement matters and if there could be useful

collaboration with them he would be prepared to have

million. How did that compare with the costs of potential alternatives? to foreign-based, multinational companies.

Mr Younger said that that

international produced Tornado had been widely regarded as unnecessarily bureaucratic. Would the Government ensure that the same did not happen Mr Younger said that he had heard such views expressed and he would try to avoid the features of the Tornado project that had made it bureaucratic. It was worth remembering, however, that the Tornado had been outstandingly successful and was among the best of its kind in

Mr Bryamor John (Ponty-pridd, Lab) said that units costs depended on each country taking the number of aircraft they had declared an interest in.
What contractural provision
was there to tie each country to
the number of aircraft they said
they wanted?

Mr Younger said that there was no such provision. This was not the stage for such decisions; it was to decide together whether to go forward on the basis of the numbers already declared, to the full develop-ment stage. When the next stage came, each country would take its decision then. Mr John Cartwright (Wool-

project.

Mr Younger said that he was confident that they would be discussions.

Sir Geoffrey Pattie (Chertsey and development costs meant that each aircraft would cost £36

Mr Younger said that the Government would never dis-

cuss unit costs of aircraft in public. Great care had been taken to compare all possible alternatives and he was satisfied that the EFA was the most cost-

Mr Kenneth Hind (Lan-cashire West, C) said that the announcement would mean the end of Opposition doubts about the project. Would it also mean the end of French involvement as a major partner in the

Mr Younger hoped that those who had suggested that the project would not go ahead would now feel that they had

On French participation, he said that the Government would always be willing to collaborate with the French, but he would not want to see progress of the four nations on this project interrupted by plans to bring in another partner at this stage. Mr Gavin Strang (Edinburgh East, Lab) said that if the direct

and indirect benefits for British industry were to be maximized. it was vital that the "hi-tech" contracts went to indigenous European consortia rather than

Mr Peter Bottomley, Minister for Roads and Traffic (right), receiving the 1987 Castrol Gold Medal of the Institute of the Motor Industry from Prince Michael of Kent in London yesterday. The medal was presented in recognition of the minister's "strong commitment to the cause of road safety" (Photograph: Mark Pepper)

Mr Younger said that that point was in their minds as these matters were decided. Contract-ing for the project, however, would clearly be based on the best bid being accepted. He said later that all the partners hoped that by the mid-1990s there would be a consid-

erable market for this kind of aircraft and that EFA would be well placed to get overseas sales. Mr Joasthan Sayeed (Bristol East, C) said that Jaguar and

Tornado would require replace-ment in the mid-1990s. Would the EFA project be in time for

Mr Younger said that it Mr Keith Mans (Wyre, C) asked what would be the mecha-

nism for work-sharing on the Mr Younger: We are talking about the work share in the full

developmental phase, and that is based on the declared numbers. At present, it gives the UK a 33 per cent share of the work in the full developmental phase. When it came to decisions on the production-investment stage, the work share would be defined on the basis of aircraft

defective. The Local Govern-ment Chronicle had said that

capping the community charge smacked of dishonesty.

onstrating a patronizing, derogatory and nannying attitude towards local government. Whitehall would always know

There were many other ways forward and the folly of the Government was that it had not

harkened to advice from else-

by 314 votes to 219 - Govern-ment majority, 95.

The Government was dem-

Factories built for Wales

The Welsh Development Agency had built 1,466 fac-tory units since it was set up, Mr Peter Walker, Sec-retary of State for Wales. told MPs during Commons

He said that, under this Government, the annual rateof factory building there had been about double the rate under Labour.last Mr Michael Foot

(Blaenau Gwent, Lab), welcoming the increase in the number of factories in Gwent, said that many industrialists thought that the terms they were being offered now were better than they would get later. Mr Walker replied that

the development agency pro-gramme for the next three years planned a big increase in factories.

Walker's demand

Mr Peter Walker, Sec-retary of State for Wales, de-manded support for the Margam mine project in South Wales from the Labour Party during Commons

Mr Roy Hughes, an Opposition spokesman on Wales, who said that the project was being dangled before the people of Wales as would make local government accountable, the Government knew in its heart of hearts was: if it were a puppet on a

He said that Mr Walker, as Secretary of State for Energy, in 1983-87, had osed no fewer than 17 pits in Wales with the loss of 22,287 jobs - 55 per cent of he workforce.

Mr Walker said that, as cretary of State for Energy. he had never closed any-where near the number of nines as had the Labour

Future for

The amendment was rejected museums Lady Hooper, the junior

education minister, assured peers that London's Geffrye and Horniman muse-ums will have a secure future after the abolition of the Inner London Education Authority.

She said the Government hopes to make an announcement soon on the future status and control of the two mus

In defence of Cranmer

Representations will be made to the Post Office about its decision not to issue a commemorative stamp to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the birth of Thomas Cranmer, Mr Michael Alison, representing the Church Commis-sioners, said during questions.

Matter of compatibility It was possible both to re-

tain the beauty of the national parks in Wales and to have a successful forestry and paper industry there, Mr Peter Walker, Secretary of State for Wales, said during

Peers' tribute The House of Lords united

in paying tribute to Lord Ramsey of Canterbury, the former Archbishop of Canterbury, who died at the weekend as "one of the great church leaders of this

Parliament today Commons (2.30): Questions: Defence; Prime Minister. Finance (No 2) Bill, second reading.
Lords (2.30): Housing.
(Scotland) Bill, committee,

Local Government Finance Bill

Opposition renews its community charge onslaught Bill and the clause illustrated ment. The proposed amendwhat it was: an attempt to Labour MPs renewed their atdependence of local government thorne, C) said that he was sorry undermine and dismember the ment was entirely worth sup-

tack on the proposed commu-nity charge when the Commons started the fifth and final day of the report stage of the Local Government Finance Bill. Dr John Cunningham, chief

Opposition spokesman on the environment, said that the enforcement of a restrospective change in the poll tax would be a cynical setting aside of local He was moving an Opp-

osition amendment to delete from the Bill the section which, he said, would allow the Secretary of State for the Environ-ment retrospectively to control, cap or reduce the poll tax of every local authority in England.

This was all about cutting the spending and reducing the in-

Lords will

see more

of Young

By Sheila Gunn Political Staff

Lord Young of Graffham, Sec-retary of State for Trade and Industry, is taking steps to counter complaints that he pays

cant attention to the House of

He is planning to spend more time at Westminster so that he will more readily be available to

his fellow peers and be able to

keep in touch with the business

Sir John Gingell, the Black

Rod, is arranging the redecora-tion of Lord Young's dilapi-

dated office near the chamber

After the summer recess, Lord

Young plans to use it for many

of his afternoon and evening meetings, instead of working almost exclusively out of the Department of Trade and In-

dustry. He has also had a live television link installed at his

department to enable him to

keep an eye on what is happen-

Lord Young is sensitive to

criticism that he avoids the

upper House and has not en-tered into the spirit of the place.

the demands made on his time

by the overhauling of his depart-

ment, some resent his rare

appearances in and around the

hamber. This is partly because

there have been no important

Bills from the Department of

Trade and Industry this session.

Copyright, Designs and Patents

Bill in the hands of Lord

Beaverbrook, a Government

whip. Otherwise, his appearances are limited to answering questions from the Dispatch

He left virtually all the huge

Although peers understand

ing in the Lords.

of the upper House.

yet again and he suspected that it was aimed at Labour-controlled authorities

After local councillors had nnounced their authority's budget, set its poll tax, and then fought and won an election, the retary of State was reserving the right to overturn the whole procedure, so the whole thing became a farce.

All this was being done in the name of greater accountability and improved efficiency, but it would, in fact, undermine accountability and cause inef-The Bill would allow min-

isters to act in defiance of the decisions of local electors and against their express wishes as recorded in a secret ballot. Mr David Wilshire (Spel-

Was the Secretary of State for Wales (Mr Peter Walker) proud

to be a loyal, long-serving and unprotesting member of a Cabi-net that advised people to pay for their health with bank loans.

Mr Alan Williams, chief Opp-

osition spokesman on Wales, asked during Commons ques-

The question came after Mr Edward Rowlands (Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney, Lab) asked if Mr Walker supported

suggested that elderly people should go further into debt to

Welsh-language campaigners will only create antipathy and diminish the good will towards

the development of the lan-guage, Mr Wyn Roberts, Min-ister of State for Wales, said

A Government committee was considering measures to promote and protect the Welsh

nguage and details would be

Mr Dafydd Wigley (Caernar-

fon, Pl C) said that consultations had been concluded on two draft Bills in March 1987 and it

was time that the Government

published details of the re-

Mr Roberts said that the

results of the consultation had

been made known. They had

been inconclusive, which was

why he had been appointed to chair a special group to consider

That group had met three

presentations it had received.

during questions.

announced shortly.

that the antics of the lunatic few on the left had made this clause There was only one reason for

this clause and that was the antics of the militant few. Without that, this clause would not have been necessary. It was the Labour Party that had made community charge

capping necessary. Their cam-paign of misinformation and their calls to defy the law were not going to help anyone. All they wanted to do was to harm services locally and na-tionally. All they would do was damage local government and make it weaker. If they persisted in this way, they would under-

mine democracy. Mr David Blunkett (Sheffield, Brightside, Lab) said that the

Mr Walker said that he did not believe that such advice had

Mr Williams said that in order to save £13 million in Wales, the Government had

told the poorest people in the

second poorest region, that they must either go without necessi-ties, take out loans from the DHSS, beg from charities, or throw themselves on the mercy

'Will he give us his view on a

piece of advice that was given? Does he echo the Prime Min-

ister's advice to a 73-year-old

(Mr Peter Walker) had met representatives of various

Welsh language bodies. Representations to these meetings would be published when the

broke, C) said that those who

believed that the Welsh lan-

guage should be encouraged in

every way were very concerned

about the law-breaking activ-

ities of the Welsh Language

Society, which did nothing to

Mr Roberts said that they

were totally counter-productive.

"Law-breaking activities only create antipathy and diminish the good will towards the Welsh

Mr Eric Heffer (Liverpool, Walton, Lab) said that he had

studied the language and asked

what efforts were being made to encourage people throughout

help to advance the language.

work had been completed.

of the loan sharks.

admirably the duplicity that existed over the thinking and attitudes about the poil tax. Mr Ridley (Secretary of State

for the Environment) had said that everyone should have the right through the ballot box to influence the level of service provided and the price they paid through taxes levied. "I can think of nothing that undermines that principle, laid

out by him, more than the idea of the icy fingers of poll capping. "The notion that people can

the notion that people can choose what they want, so long as they are not able to vote to spend the money to provide it, is not only duplicity but runs very close to absolute contempt for the democratic system in our The last vestige of justifica-

Health care suggestions

Poorest people 'advised to take loans'

WALES

Mr Walker said that he was

delighted to support a Govern-

ment, which, unlike the pre-vious Labour Government, was

spending 42 per cent more in real terms on the National

doing more for education and

'Language' law-breakers are criticized

WALES

the United Kingdom, particularly in England, to follow suit.

Mr Roberts: We encourage

people from England to visit

Wales and we extend a very

warm *croeso* (welcome) to them

when they come to Wales. It is very much a fact that among the

most ardent Welsh learners

these days are people from

England who have come to settle in Wales.

Mr Christopher Butler (War-

rington South, C) asked whether

the minister was considering a

suggestion that parents should

have a statutory right to have their children educated in

Mr Roberts said that he was

not prepared to go into the details on the proposals being considered. "But he will be

aware of the new place given to

"I do find his hyprocrisy quite



attitude of duplicity

tion in terms of making people pay for what they voted for had now been stripped away. Poll tax capping revealed the Bill for

withdraw the word hypocrisy.

do so and say that he found Mr Williams's view surprising.

that a great deal of advice and

help on debt problems was provided free by the Citizens

Advice Bureaux and other

Government spending on the National Health Service in Wales had increased by more

than 42 per cent since the Conservatives came to office,

the Welsh language in the national curriculum and of the steps we are taking through the establishment of the Welsh lan-

The group's chairman had

already been named and its full

membership would be pub-

There would be a curriculum

council for Wales and the

language would be a foundation

subject, which meant that it would be available to all child-

ren from all parts of Wales, except where the Secretary of

Mr Paul Flynn, an Opposition spokesman on Welsh affairs, said that the survival of

the Welsh language was a continuing miracle. It is a national treasure, which we all hold in trust. But it is also the

most dangerously divisive and

For the first time this century,

explosive issue in Wales.

State granted an exemption.

guage subject group."

lished shortly.

organizations.

Mr Walker said that he would

Earlier, he had told the House

voting for decent education, decent care of the old and disabled, was this Government's biggest insult against the

whole concept of public service.

To call people irrational, excessive and irresponsible for

Mr Edward Leigh (Gains-borough and Horncastle, C) said that, although local authorities would become accountable over a period of time, there must be egislation to prevent anthorities using transitional arrangements to impose excessive demands

said that the reality of the debate was that it showed the hollow-

He agreed with Mr Nichelas Bennett (Pembroke, C) that hospitals in Wales would be helped by the "most generous"

increase in nurses' pay an-nounced last week and that that

compared with a cut in real take-

home pay of nurses under the last Labour government.

Mr Grist said it was not only nurses' pay that had suffered under Labour. There had also

been real cuts in pay for administrators, clerical workers, doctors and dentists, too. "They

be held in Newport, the most anglicized part of Wales. That

would not have been possible 21

years ago, the last time Par-

The Government must seize

on the growing evidence of good

will towards the language from all parties and areas of Wales."

the House that the Government

would not delay until it was

forced into action, as it had had

to be over the Fourth Channel,

and that it would act swiftly to ensure the health and survival of Yr Hen laith (the old

Mr Roberts said that it was

very easy to cry for a Welsh Language Act, but not so easy to say what might go into it. As Mr Flynn appeared to have com-

mitted the Labour Party to

legislation, a commitment that

The minister should assure

iament legislated on

with the community charge. Mr Simon Hughes, SLD spokesman on the environment,

ness of the Government's argu-

Peers fail in unions revolt

A final revolt in the House of Lords against the Government's proposal to force trade union officials to face compulsory re-election by their members every five years failed by 16 votes. During the third reading of

the Employment Bill, peers also soundly rejected an amendment moved by Lord Wyatt of Weeford (Ind) requiring compulsory postal ballots before local industrial action is taken. Lord Mottistone (C) moved an amendment to allow union managers", regularly appointed by competitive interviews for administrative duties, to be exempt from the compulsory re-

election proposals, His amendment was flawed. but he supported the similar amendment tabled by Lord Howie of Troon (Lab).

Lady Turner of Camden, for the Opposition, moved Lord Howie's amendment in his ab-Supporting the amendments. Lord Carr (C), a former Secretary of State for Employment,

said that one of the Government's policies had been to democratize trade unions, an aim he supported. Another was to encourage efficient manage-ment, which he also supported. However, clause 12 as proposed tangled the two purposes and brought them into conflict.

Lord Trefgarae, the Government's employment spokesman in the Lords, said that he could not bring himself to believe that, for instance, Mr Roy Evans, general secretary of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation was simply an anonymous back-

Lord Howie's amendment was rejected by 105 votes to 89 — Government majority, 16. the Government had not given, be should say what the content of the Bill might be.

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Going for Scarlett and gold

The sequel to Gone with the Wind is set

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of the age. Its author Alexandra Ripley

spoke to Charles Bremner about her monumental literary and legal task

or 52 years, the question has haunted millions: does Scarlett O'Hara win Rhett Butler back again? Patience, readers, in two years' time you should know the answer. Deep in Virginia, a tall, red-haired author with something of the classic southern belle about her is readying her felt-tipped pen for the daunting job of turning out the sequel to Gone with the Wind, the world's most successful

novel. Barring accidents, it should

make her a multi-millionaire.

Alexandra Ripley, a 54-year-old who turned late to writing, was chosen for the job more than a year ago by the estate of Margaret Mitchell, amid secrecy that would have done credit to the Kremlin. Her assignment is not easy - follow up those immortal closing lines, Tomorrow, I'll think of some way to get him back. After all, tomorrow

For a year, Ripley has been secretly researching across the South from Atlanta to her native Charleston to the great old estates, and growing gradually more frustrated while the lawyers and agents hammered out the fearsome legal groundwork for what will, inevitably, be one of the biggest publishing deals of the age.

Such were the conditions that Ripley, who has a handful of historical novels under her belt, could tell no one what she was doing. "People were becoming concerned," she says. "They were asking do you have terminal something?" If they guessed right, then I had to deny it." She and her university-teacher husband John used code when in public, calling the project "the parrot" to avoid letting the secret out.

This week in New York and soon after in London the publishing William Morris agency for the right to foster the 1,000 pages of guaranteed blockbuster that is known to the industry as GWTW-2.

Ripley, who mixes a sparkling southern charm with the savvy of someone who worked for years on the other side of the publishing business. thinks the buyer could pay about \$8 million and still count on clearing a big profit. After all, Mitchell's book has sold more than 25 million copies so far.

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spinning contracts that Mitchell's estate will control. The New York Post has already run a readers' vote on who should take over from Vivien Leigh and Clark Gable. When David Selznick searched for the cast of his 1939 epic, the world followed the selection like a presidential campaign.

Ripley, whose avowed Angiophilia made her break her no-interview rule for a New York lunch with The Times, says she could think of no one to play Scarlett short of digging up Vivien Leigh".

In fact, the only official attempt at a GWTW sequel so far was a screenplay written 10 years ago for MGM by Anne Edwards. It became bogged down in a legal struggle that ended in 1984. Many unauthorized attempts have been made, including one by a psychic who claimed Margaret Mitchell dictated every word to her through a Ouija board.

For now, the only thing the publishers have to go on is Ripley's 39-page manuscript covering the first two chapters and opening with: "This will be over soon, Scarlett told herself, and then I can go home to Tara." Enjoying her new-found power as custodian of a great American myth, Ripley says she has not yet worked out the plot. "I have the beginning and it could go in any number of ways. There are two ways for it to end and that's what everybody wants to know."

argaret Mitchell a

shy Atlanta journalist, never elaborated on her ambiguous end-ing and never contemplated a sequel. She died in 1949 after being run over by a taxi in Atlanta. Her plot-making was as spontaneous as Ripley's appears to be, at least according to legend. When a talent-hunting agent from Macmillans visited Atlanta and persuaded her to part with the pile of manuscript she had been guarding, he found no first chapter. She had, she said, started with the closing lines and worked backwards from there. At that stage Scarlett's name was Pansy and the book was called Tomorrow is Another Day.

Ripley says she feels the weight of responsibility that she owes to the GWTW faithful, but she has lived long enough with the job for the terror to wear off. Besides, she adds, as a novelist specializing in the

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South, she was the person best qualified for the task.

The descendant of 17th-century British immigrants, Ripley learnt the graces of a southern lady in her native Charleston — Rhett Butler's town — before moving to Yankee territory and attending Vassar Coll-ege on a scholarship from the United Daughters of the Confederacy. There followed a range of jobs from book publicist to Air France representative, and a first marriage, two daughters and a divorce. Her first novel, not mentioned in the publicity material, was Who's the Lady in the President's Bed?, a 1972 fantasy about a woman president. In 1981 she produced the successful *Charleston*, and *New Orleans Legacy*, due out in paperback this summer. Already an expert on the Ameri-

can Civil War era, Ripley has immersed herself in Mitchell's novel. She has read it six or seven times and copied out about 200 pages in the tidy longhand that she uses for her own writing. "When you copy several hundred pages, it sort of gets into your wrist," she says. She is seeking the Mitchell spirit, but she is not going to write "somebody else's book".

She first posed three main con-ditions to the Mitchell estate. She wanted the right to diverge from her outline and freedom to treat sex and race in a more modern way. She had her way with the understanding that there would be no graphic descrip-tions. "To avoid any mention of extramarital sex is simply unbelievable. Even 19th-century people were fooling around. It doesn't mean you have to have a window into the bedroom," she says. "I'm so tired of seeing people take their clothes off."

Besides, she says, she does not believe that Scarlett likes sex very much. "There'll be no full frontal nudity and there won't be any car chases . . . Not even a buggy chase or anything else like that." Race is a ticklish point, given the condescension with which Mitchell's characters treated the blacks. Most of them are childlike or villainous.

Bad language is not such a problem. The "damn" that Rhett

• I now have the beginning. There are two ways for it to end. Everybody wants to know 9

Butler uttered frankly was a first in the cinema. Ripley plans nothing much stronger than "three or four hells". "I'm not going to have any bathroom swearing. I prefer god is my witness' to 'fiddle-de-dee'. I do find fiddle-de-dee a little hard to

What Ripley is aiming at is a "good gaudy story" with all the colour and drama of the original, not the sort of anaemic psychological study that is the mark of the 1980s novel. GWTW is a much greater work than people give it credit for, she says - an opinion that is growing among a critical fraternity which long denigrated it as a blend of journalism, melodrama and personal fantasy.

In a tribute on its 50th anniversary a couple of years ago, Tom Wicker of The New York Times said that although it was not a master-

piece nor the great American novel, its hymn to loss and hope and its evocation of a gracious pre-war South touched the American

Ripley says she cannot think of another novel that has given birth to a dozen characters who have entered everyday American life in the way Sherlock Holmes, or Dickens's characters, inhabit the British mind.

But she faces one problem - the lack, in the sequel's era starting in 1873, of any of the great upheavals that coloured the canvas of Mitchell's novel. "She was very smart to stop the book when she did." The lawyers have also been thinking about the plot. They have given Ripley strict orders never to open her own mail. They expect her to be deluged with suggestions from GWTW fans who then could sue for millions if her plot appears to take up any of their ideas. For the moment, Ripley says she

is revelling in the excitement of being able to start writing again. "My happiest times are when I'm She is nocturnal, and works for about 10 hours a night in her 18th century farmhouse, often

"There are two reasons why I'm doing this book. I can't resist it and as soon as this is done I will be able to write anything I want to."

Celebrity, she says, means little she has been turning down interviews with Dan Rather and other famous anchormen of American television news - but she is thrilled about the money. Then, posing shyly for pictures in the tree-lined atrium of a Manhattan skyscaper, she muses: "Does it sound terrible to say that I'm doing it for the money?

Bacon, eggs and a toast to enterprise

As Kenneth Clarke breakfasts in Leeds, George Hill reports on rising business confidence in the Midlands and North

Breakfasting his way round industrial Britain, Kenneth Clarke, Minister for Trade and industry, will be passing out the muesli and stewed figs to businessmen in Leeds this morning Scrambled eggs, and croissants as big as bridal bouquets have been supplied for the meal in Pudsey civic hall, after which the hardheaded men will be handed hard hats bearing the insignia 'Action for Cities". The tour coincides with a

new business confidence. Eco-nomic pointers look favourable not only in Leeds. but over large areas of the Midlands and the North-west. There are real signs that those parts of the country that seemed left lagging by the booming South-east are beginning to share in the recovery.

Leeds is literally Boom City at the moment," says Keith Hampson, Conser-vative MP for Leeds North-West. "Every site is being built on, office blocks are going up everywhere. The city has improved its own physical image, and the council under Labour control are at last

beginning to see sense about co-operation with industry." Or, as Derek Fatchett, Labour MP for Leeds Central, says, making much the same point in his own political idiom: "The city is doing fairly well, with quite a bit of

investment employment is about 15 per cent in central Yorkshire, but only about 10 per cent in Leeds. The kind of co-operation between the council and the local business community Clarke keeps talking about is already in full swing here, and there's a 'hands off!' feeling about these breakfasts of his — we have got a

going already, thank you very much. As a long-

healthy lationship

standing regional centre of communications with a relatively diversified industrial base. Leeds was never as hardhit by the recession as many other towns. But the indications of growing business confidence are far more widespread. The West Midlands, the North-west, and to a lesser extent the North are all showing signs of revival. The first of Clarke's breakfasts was held, not entirely by chance, in Newcastle upon Tyne, another centre where the economic blood is unmistakeably beginning to flow again.

The new mood on Tyneside is exemplified by a computer software company called Mari (Microelectronics Applica-tions Research Institute), which has grown by leaps and bounds in recent months. Its turnover is projected to double to £4 million in this financial year, and the company has doubled its workforce over the

past year. With a certain poetic justice, it has taken over as its headquarters the Victorian former town hall of Gateshead borough council, now in a purpose-built modern block up the hill. In an august ambience of municipal stained-glass, wrought-iron and mahogany, the company does international business in robotics and artificial intelligence, and feels in no way handicapped by geography.

"Where you are doesn't matter with telecommunications," says Alan Rooks. Mari's operations manager for development and marketing.
The northern region is a good place to work in, and it needs companies like this one with their main base up here, because it has suffered from the 'branch factory' syndrome - where the northern branch is always the first to go when

the going gets hard".

Mari is only one of many concerns that have begun to make headway in recent months in Newcastle, Leeds, Wolvernampton, Crewe, Sheffield, Telford and many other centres. It would be wrong to overstate the trend at this stage. As yet, it does not show itself strongly in the ultimate index of economic recovery. the unemployment rate, which has fallen by 2.5 percentage points over most of England in the past year (Scotland, Wales and North-ern Ireland have done less well). Where unemployment is high, that reduction makes little impact.

A survey in February by the Reward Group, which specializes in collecting cost-of-living statistics, showed that rates of pay among clerical and operative workers were still rising faster in London and the South-east than elsewhere, a function both of prosperity and of shortage

of skilled labour. But two surveys from the same group following soon afterwards presented a more intriguing One showed

that managers in the West Midlands and while still paid less than the national avhandsomely outstripped the average rate of West Midlands. received basic increases of 6.8 per cent, still

7.5 per cent be-hind the national average, but catching up by a full percentage point. The

North-west has seen even better progress, with basic increases of 7.5 per cent, leaving rates only 6.3 per cent behind the average. The other survey was of house prices, which showed a healthy rise at above-average rates through-out the Midlands, and almost reaching London levels in the West Midlands. There have been false dawns before. One of the less

Clarke: accentuating

the positive

buoyant events in the recent history of Leeds is the story of Systime, a computer company not unlike Mari, which grew like a mushroom in the Seventies and early Eighties and was a showpiece for every passing minister on errands similar to Clarke's.

At one stage it had twice the manpower Mari has today, then it collapsed and was absorbed by an American

Mari is determined that no such calamity will befall it. On every side in its Victorian headquarters, delightful pan-els in the stained-glass windows proclaim its pre-decessor's Latin motto: Caput condit inter nubila, which can be freely translated as "Our head in the clouds", an uncommonly candid motto for a local authority. Mari remains very determined to keep its own feet on the ground.

How the IBM Wizard miscast its spellings

hance changes words as much as design. The IBM computer that is integrating The Oxford English Dictionary with its supplements and new matter has just made a collocation that must be chance (unless you are superstitious or sci-fi nutty enough to suppose that computers can think for themselves). The New Oxford English Dictionary Project is creating a machine-readable version of the half million words defined and two million quotations in the vast wordyard. It is a job far more complex than sorting the Christmas mail into alphabetical order. The software and data bases required are beyond the wit of It is therefore agreeable to report that the automatic

ntegration program, which is as much a wonder of our world s the Colossus of Rhodes was of the ancient world, has got carried away by its mechanical instincts, and made a cock-up by treating two separate words as one. It defined libber as "now dialect, a gelder" and "a colloquial abbreviation of liberationist. Cf. lib, and wom-an's lib". It then trotted out, carefully arranged in chronological order, exemplary citations illustrating both the castrating and the emancipating tendencies. "Libbers have for libbinge of pigges, pennies a peece for the giltes, and half pence a peece for the gowtes or bore pigges." And, from The Times: "The Female Woman sorts out the contemporary confusion of ideas about the sexes which the Libbers have

rorse confounded.™ What has happened is that the literal-minded Wizard of IBM has confused two words. The old word "to lib" does **NEW WORDS** FOR OLD Philip Howard



comes from the Old English lybban, and the Middle Dutch lubben, to main, both derived from the Tentonic root lub. The word survived into the 19th century, in its old age chiefly as dialect in farming circles. But it was also used figuratively: "Aristotle wrote CXXVI books, or thereabouts, about politics, and yet none of these were libbed by Abbreviators." From lib came libber, **The other libber came to**

birth in the Sixties and Seventies as a campaigner for women's rights, eration, power, movement etc. It sounds to me a patronizing and derogatory term, a bit like "the little woman". "The debate set things off by producing a truly appailing female whose anti-male views were so extreme and so crudely

Libbers in the audience showed dismay." This libber has nothing to do with the Old English practice of libbing pigs, but comes from Women's Liberation, natch. Women's Liberation has been such a popular and noisy

novement that it has exported its terminology. Followers of any liberation group are called libbers. "Neither left-wing nor right-wing himself, Tom Wolfe will continue to irritate zealous left-wingers just so long as American society continues to be dominated by the left-libbers." And the vocabulary of Women's Lib is in a state of constant flux. The new male chauvinist put-down in the States is "libbie". We should not be surprised that the political and value language changes. It took a hard science like Newtonian physics a century and many bosh shots before it settled on its final jargon. Women's Liberation, being

a permanent political crusade, will have a vocabulary that constantly changes, because it is engaged in politics and polemics, for which activities words are the principal weapons. That is why the meanings of words such as "socialist" "radical", "democratic" "conservative", "liberal" never stay still. They are gonfalons and slogans, not straight descriptions. We should not describe a

Women's Libber as the other sort of libber in the extreme acceptance of that old word without some risk of ter-minological inexactitude, and agonized shricks for the styptic pencil. That is why poor old human brains have had to come to the aid of the IBM to sort out its libs from its

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The heir to the G-string is the multi-purpose swimsuit. Designers are agreed: now is the season to dress up before you strip off

One, two or three-piece chic

to fade in the sun as fast as the bottom half; undressing for the beach used to be so simple. Since sam worshippers strip to little more than a G-string if that, the swimsuit today has a new role. It is a playsuit with a skinny tube skirt or matching sarong. It might be a sundress with a flirty Fifties feel. It's the outfit in which you breakfast. lunch, stroll along the beach, splash in the surf and, yes, plunge into the sea.

signers grab every chance minimum they can deliver maximum impact. Dramati-cally sculpted necklines, off the shoulder, halter or with clean asymmetric angles, even hoods and cowls, stretch the stuff of today's fashionable swimsuit to its limits.

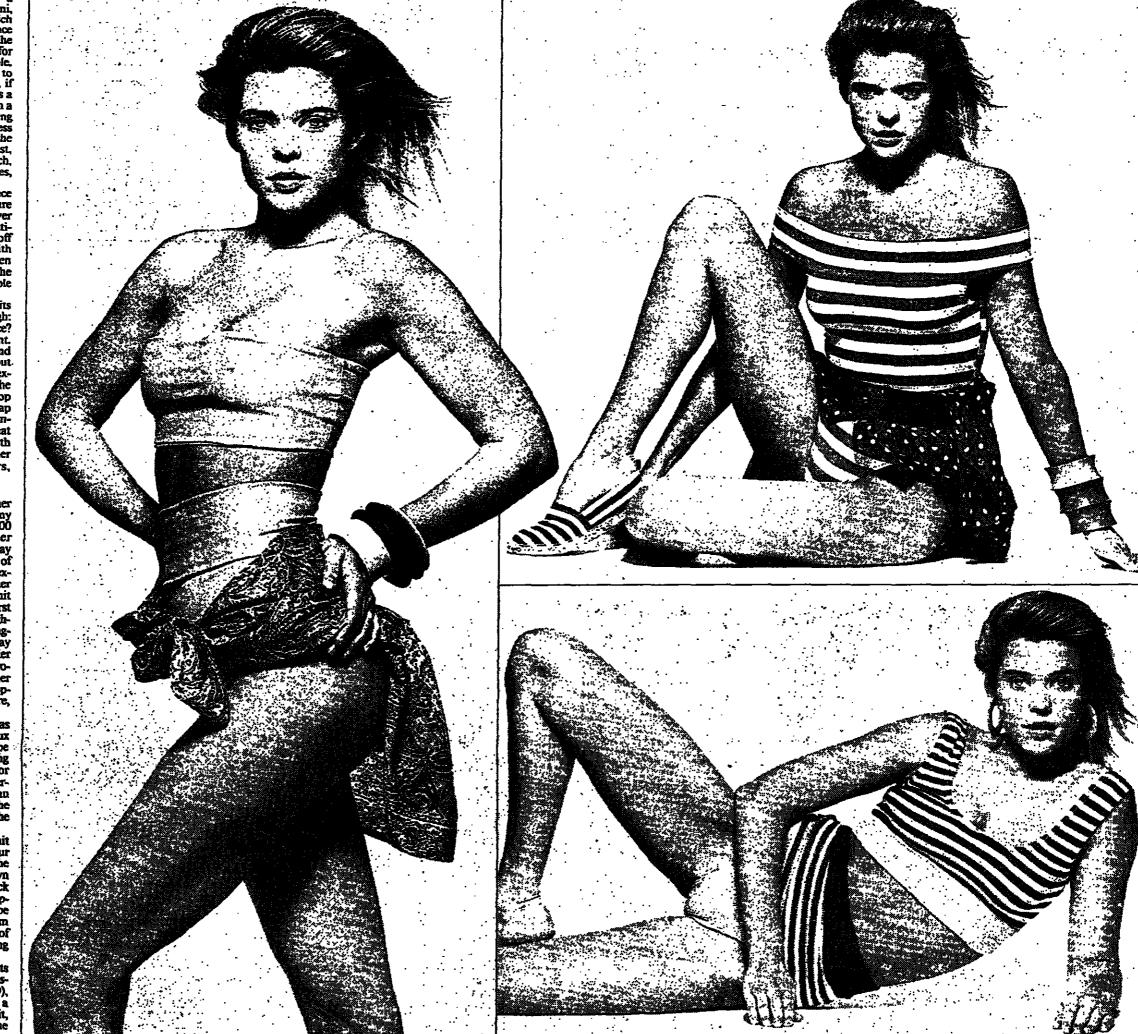
Who first carved swimsuits highest up on the thigh: Norma Kamali or Liza Bruce? This is a point of argument. Both Kamali in New York and Bruce, American-born but based in London, have explored the possibilities of the beach wardrobe. Shrink-top T-shirts, unitards (one-strap leotards), turtle-necks, swimsuits cut away so crazily that they look like origami - both have set trends. Bruce in her favourite neon colours, Kamali in stark monotone.

iza Bruce started her swimwear company in 1980 with a \$5,000 legacy from her grandfather. Today she turns out a stream of innovative ideas which extend to creating with ICI her own puckered stretch knit fabric, Tactel. She was the first to swing back to the highskirted and longlegged styles in fashion today which she believes look sexier than an all-revealing twopiece "string". One of her newest ideas is the scoop-necked bikini pictured here, its overskirt rolled up.

A three-piece bikini such as Romeo Gigli's two-bandeaux worn with one band slung diagonally across the other for a one-shouldered style. Alternatively the second bandeau can be stretched across the midriff to loosely join the

three pieces into one. The role of the swimsuit based on two, three or four pieces is recognized by the black bandeau, C & A's black and white jungle print strap-less swimsuit (£14.99) can be rolled down as a bikini bottom or stretched into a variety of one-piece styles. A matching sarong costs £12.99.

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Top right: The off-the-shoulder swimsuit in red and white striped cotton Lycra, 220, Fitness Centre from Liberty, Regent Street, W1; Miss Selfridge branches; Richards branches, Red and white spotted short skirt, 299, Claudie Pierlot from Zone at Harvey Nichols, Knightsbridge, SW1.
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Below right: The skirted bikini with deep bra top in fluorescent green and purple with black and white stripes, all in puckered stretch Tactel, approximately £80, Liza Bruce, Harrods; Harvey Nichols, Knightsbridge, SW1; Nightlingale, 11 St Johns Wood High Street, NW8; Follies, Weybridge; Cruise for Women, Glasgow; Leglines, Dublin. Fluorescent pink hoop earnings, £5.95, Harvey Nichols, Knightsbridge, SW1. Hair by Sally Francomb for Vincent Lonnro Make-up by Sarah-Jane Adler Photographs by JOHN BISHOP



Among the many recent illus-Macys windows on Union trious alumni of the Royal Square. The week before that College of Art's Fashion was New York, where School, two graduates, Keith Bergdorf Goodman hosted a Varty and Alan Cleaver, have become totems of the Design Drain of British talents party in their honour. And tomorrow Varty and Cleaver are back briefly in London for abroad. Whisked over to Paris the opening of the Byblos boutique in Har-vey Nichols, occupying a prime site on the Deby Dorothée Bis on

graduation, lured across to the States to work for Geoffrey Beene, they finished up in 1980 as designers for Byblos, the lively international label in Donatella Girombelli's Genny Moda empire (others include La-croix's new readyto-wear). Follow their work ethic

price line runs at, say, £380 for a silk jacket; the less expensive Byblos Options collection for women is priced a notch down, from £150 for a jacket to £225 for a dress. Byblos ded, and you too might end up hy-Vis à Vis is a more casual line for men

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bent, students need hardly be remin-

ing in a palazzo in Italy puzzling over

whether to spend the weekend at

and women. Then there are Byblos jeans, covering a denim range and everything to put with it. It all your cliff-top villa on the Adriatic.

Not that the pair have much free time these days. Last week they were fêted in San Francisco, where Byblos designs occupied the entire block of 20

everything to put with it. It all reflects the real commercial success of this youthful British design team. "Those two have the knack of making clothes that are both fun and sophisticated," says Paul Davies of Harvey Nichols.

Byblos collections

is given pride of

place. For men and

In celebration of silk

Bruce Oldfield is a designer who appreciates the huxurious touch of silk. Alistair Blair is another who understands the flattering ways in which it performs. Beany Ong's soft colourful style is seen at its best in silk. The three were among the fashion crowd at the party beld last week by Austin Reed in its Regent Street flagship store to launch Silk Supreme, a three-week celebration of China's most glamorous export. From handkerchiefs and boxer shorts to dressing gowns in the finest foulard or satin, silk is the focus of attention at major branches of Austin Reed until May 4. The Options departments for women are studded with colourful silks in classic separates, as well as frothier styles for the summer season from their own Options label collections designers like Paul Costelloe.



WEVERY FORTNIGHT.

Barbara Amiel

hile I find it perfectly normal to prime ministers as a member of the press. I am overcome with shyness in social situations. Arriving at the Reform Club last week for the launch of David Hart's new novel, Come to the Edge, I got terribly edgy myself about the sense of wall-to-wall people in the know. "Who are all these people?" I asked a woman who turned out to be the reporter who went down a mine the previous week for a Sunday newspaper.

"This party is full of extreme right-wing people," she replied quite intensely. I could only recognize Norman Fowler and Lord Young. "That's Madsen Pirie," she in-dicated. "He's a misogynist." I thought that braving Pirie might be a good start to overcoming my fears and so I went up to him and just as we were introducing ourselves both the zipper and fastener on my skirt broke. Pirie was very decent about the whole thing and chatted away while I fussed. Later, Harry Phipps, the fire-breathing Young Conservative, suggested that perhaps there was an ideological reason for the new small lettering in the advertisements for dti and could I ask Lord Young.

Then I was seized by that dreadful feeling that my awkwardness was being watched and it turned out to be Emma Soames, the new editor of *Tatler*, who has notebook eyes. "I've just been looking at some very pretty pictures of you," she said. This alarmed me no end and I fled the party holding my skirt and wishing that I had the elegant hauteur of Mrs Julian Spicer, who complained to her husband on arrival that she had so much difficulty finding the Reform Club. Very grand.

Reading my morning newspapers last Thursday, I hiccuped on my de-caffeinated coffee as I read a leader page article in one of them by its editor. It was a tough piece on the price for the hijack deal but it suddenly zig-zagged. Comparing the assassination of of the PLO No 2 Abu Jihad with the hijacking of the Kuwaiti airliner, the article said: "As is, and always has been, one man's terrorist is another man's freedom fighter."

This seems to me a profoundly cynical notion. When one speaks of the difference between terrorism and counter-terrorism, surely one is not taking sides on the specific political issue involved. Even if I had full sympathy with every inch of the Palestinian argument and accepted that the Palestinians have no land due entirely to theft by the Jews, I would still regard the actions of the PLO and Abu Jihad as evil and wrong.

In our time have not the Palestinians been the first people, though regrettably not the last, to regard the loss of their country as justification for the murder and kidnapping of neutral civilians, including women and children, all over the world? Abu Jihad was a military target of a nation at war. Terrorists are defined not by their political aims but by the means they use to attain

This is an increasingly narrow view, however, as Charles Glass's diary last week in The Spectator illustrated. Abu Jihad, he wrote, was "most popular", "soft-spoken" and "straightforward". I'm beginning to believe the kidnappers made a genuine mistake when they imprisoned Mr Glass in Beirut early last year.



'Tragedy. Raiph's just opened the can of Campbell's soup that Harold paid \$32,000 for

o cynicism was in evidence on Thursday evening at a get-together of the 1987-88 White House Fellows. For a moment I saw the traces of Daisy Miller as an utterly guileless Fellow from the Justice Department described her meeting last week with representatives of the official Soviet peace movement.

"They operate on money raised by contributors and they don't know who is on their board of directors or who gives the marching orders," said Mary Sterling, who worked as a lawyer for seven years before receiving this fellowship. "For myself, I wouldn't join an organization if I didn't know who was running it. But I guess that's the American way." Listening to her were No 10 confidant Ronald Miller and Carol Thatcher, and it crossed my mind that one of us should have grasped the nettle. But we all looked interested and enthusiastic and let it pass, in the British way.

have been reading the proofs of a new book by Nelson Aldrich called Old Money. Aldrich distinguishes between the rich in America whose wealth is based on old money and what he calls "the market man." In the past the market man, with his hundreds of quick new millions, would have tried very hard to model himself on the old style. It might have taken as long as 15 or 20 years for market man to ascend dinner tables placed in a dizzying spiral up to the exquisite nuances of Mrs Astor. The

hierarchy was clearly defined. The market man of today has no such instinct. Donald Trump creates his own laws and chattering about him are les nouvelles riches in search of a press officer, and talking news gossip. I suppose all this is true, and of much interest to social anthropologists, but what I sniff on the pages of the extremely well-bred Mr Aldrich's book is the regret of the ageing patrician as he sees his shadow flicker.

Philip Jacobson analyses the outcome of the French election ballot

Cohabiting with Le Pen

conservative prime minister, who got 20 per cent, for the second round on May 8. The difference between the

two men's statements was highly instructive, an advance glimpse, surely, of the wedge that Le Pen's success will drive deep into the orthodox conservative camp. While Barre spoke, with melancholy dignity, of his continuing devotion to a "just and tolerant society which rejects xenophobia and racism", the main thrust of the response from a distinctly subdued Jacques Chirac concentrated on France's need to "preserve national identity and counter illegal immigration".

It was not hard to read between the lines. After his depressing initial failure to convince four fifths of French voters vaulted from the protest fringe into the political big time, fracturing the French right in the process, was quickly evident on Sunday. The National Front's that he has the right stuff for an occupant of the Elysée Palace, Chirac now needs every scrap of support available if he is to stay in contention for the second

The most promising hunting ground for the prime minister's anxious strategists is evidently among Le Pen's hard-core followers. Even before Sunday's vote there were rumours denied without particular ve-hemence - of the Chirac camp making overtures to the self-styled "L'Outsider".

But the uneasy knowledge that a significant proportion — per-haps as much as 20 per cent — of Le Pen's support is poised to switch to François Mitterrand in the second round underlines the new dilemma of the right. Having registered a satisfactory protest against everything from coloured immigration and unemployment to simple dislike of the boss class, these voters seem unlikely to respond to middle-ofthe road conservatism.

Yet to pursue them too vigorously with what would have to resemble an "alternative" National Front manifesto raises the obvious risk of frightening away a vital chunk of the centrists who opted for Barre on Sunday. Sensing an opening long before the vote, the wily Mitterrand has made it clear he does not rule out co-operation with those who

may find Chirac Mark II somewhat too rich for their taste.

We still have to wait until next Sunday, and a mass rally to celebrate the feast of Joan of Arc, to hear how Le Pen will advise the faithful to vote in the run-off (it is also Labour Day, but that does not feature on the National Front calendar).

To the extent that he is ever committed by previous declarations, any possibility of recommending support for Mitterrand can safely be ruled out. But what of "positive abstentionism", the curious slogan coined by Le Pen when he wanted to damage Chirac's prospects in a bitterly contested Marseilles council election last year? It failed then because the local hardline right ultimately preferred to turn out and do down the Socialists.

This time round, however, Le Pen is interested in something more than settling old scores (the political consequences of the keen personal animosity between him and Chirac are sometimes underrated). The louder he insists that a cabinet post can

hold no attraction for the champion of the little people of France, the more many observers assume that this is his immediate objective. How better, after all, to translate Sun-day's "earthquake" into solid and visible political influence? As yesterday's Le Monde ob-served, " M Le Pen is already

beginning to ripple his muscles" All these factors will be weighing heavily upon Chirac today when he addresses the combined parliamentary forces of his own RPR party and the UDF co-alition which was backing Barre. According to aides, he is in no mood for bargaining, holding firmly - if a little desperately to the view that a literal interpretation of Sunday's figures shows the left to be in the minority.

Elsewhere, the post-mortem continues on what is widely perceived as a stinging reverse for the prime minister. Somewhere in the mountain of RPR publicity issued before the vote we learned that he has covered about 12,000 miles on the cam-

paign trail within metropolitan France (and much more in the colonies), addressed more than 2,000 special gatherings, thrilled half a million spectators at his vast rublic rallies.

At the end of the day, none of this was enough to overcome what appears to be a deep-scated resistance among the French to installing Chirac in the Elysée. Even allowing that the eve of poll bloodshed in New Caledonia really did hurt him (and benefited Le Pen's hard line on law and order) the implications for the right must be profoundly discouraging.

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If Mitterrand now goes on to secure a second term in office and the prime minister sticks to his decision not to participate in another bout of cohabitation alongside the Socialist president, there is a clear possibility that a genuinely centrist government (perhaps even headed by a conservative) could take over.

Marooned on the back benches, rubbing shoulders uneasily with the resurgent National Front, Chirac and his loyalists could certainly make life very difficult - concervably impossible — for any such administra-tion. But the polls have consistently indicated that the French public never disliked cohabitation as did la classe politique. They might not easily forgive him for being a bad loser.

T.E. Utley

In praise of inequality

ommons question time: "Is the Prime Minister aware of Mrs Brown of 'artlepool? Is she aware that Mrs Brown 'as been for years a martyr to arthritis, that she nevertheless provides constant nursing for her bedridden mother, that she has no 'ome 'elp because of cuts in council expenditure and that her income of £12 a week is now to be reduced to £5 in order to ease the income tax burden of the richest people in the country?"

Never a man for the studied

understatement, Jean-Marie Le

Pen could barely contain himself

when the first computer projec-tions in the opening round of the French presidential election ap-peared on Sunday night. "We have just achieved a dramatic

transformation of the political

landscape," declared the leader

of the country's extreme right

wing as his score edged above the

14 per cent mark. "From now

on, nothing will ever be done in

France without the voters of the

On the face of it, that confident statement is hard to

dispute. Ten years ago, in par-liamentary elections, Le Pen's

party ended with a fraction of 1

per cent of the total vote. Three

years later he failed humiliat-

ingly to secure the number of

official signatures to enable him

to run for the presidency. Even

after the National Front's "tri-

umph" in the 1986 par-

liamentary campaign the party's overall national support was still

in single figures.

Proof that Le Pen has now

shadow hung unmistakably over

what was intended to be a

ceremonial transfer of Raymond

Barre's 17 per cent support to the

National Front.

How familiar that sort of outburst has become, though the terms of this one are of course imaginary. How familiar also are the replies which these outbursts receive. "During this government's term of office, expenditure on health and social security has expanded by x per cent. This compares with Labour's miserable performance in the years 1975 to '79 (or in any other selected period); adequate provision is made for hard

cases" - and so on in the same

Who gets the better of these exchanges? Intellectually, of course, the Prime Minister and her colleagues. Even if you do not pause to check the accuracy of what she is claiming, you get the clear impression that she is appealing to reason and her opponents to emotion. But is this altogether a long-term advantage in political terms? There are some subjects in the discussion of which emotion has a built-in and overwhelming advantage over reason. I suspect that as time goes on more and more of the public will come to the conclusion that this government consists of hard-faced

seemly to be seen associating. This is even more likely to prove so because of the cold. bureaucratic, jargon-ridden language in which most of Her Majesty's ministers now habitually talk. It gives reason, and even compassion, when that quality rears its head in government advocacy, a bad name.

Do not suppose, however, that when the public reacts against Tory hard-heartedness it is being sincere. In Britain, "stinking hypocrisy" is not confined to bishops and the media or to those who attack apartheid. It is widespread among the general citizenry. My impression based on observation and anecdotal evidence (ie, real evidence) is that a lot of people are heartily sick of do-gooding politicians, regarding them as frauds and opportunists I sometimes even suspect that

a lot of people are tired of Mrs Brown of Hartlepool, either because they think that she does not exist in quite the form in which she is portrayed or because they have a deep conviction, of which of course they are ashamed, that no human society will ever succeed in eliminating all human ills and a suspicion that any human society that seriously tries to do so will merely succeed in creating more human ills. To announce these reservations, however, would be to court social ostracism and, where relevant, political anni-

If any of you belong to this category of closet Gradgrinds, I have comfort for you in the shape of a pamphlet which can no doubt be supplied under plain cover by The Institute of Eco-nomic Affairs Health Unit. It is not, of course, wholly readable, containing much economic jargon and many contorted sentences. However, if all you need is a quick "kiss of life", having been nearly drowned in a sea of compassionate rhetoric, you could confine yourself to the press release.

o begin with, take the businessmen with whom it is not pamphlet's title, Acceptable Inequalities? Well, even allowing for the question mark, that is a breeze of fresh air for a start. But read on, According to the authors, "you can have too much equality" (and this, remember, in relation to the most emotive of all matters, the



provision of health and medical care.) The press summary, warming to its theme, then offers this stimulating headline: "Inequality of health services is, in general, desirable". You are feeling better already.

The pamphlet's broad thesis is an excellent one which, to my mind, applies to everything, not merely health. There are, it argues, three kinds of inequality: acceptable (indeed desirable), unavoidable and intolerable. Pursue equality as an end in itself and you will damage

national health. Medicine does not operate with equal effect and at equal cost in all parts of the country: dividing subsidies equally between the regions (or even in a way that seems suitably equitable) may lead to the loss of life. Is the object to maximize health or simply to ensure that those living in certain areas which are more favourable to health than others shall not be allowed to enjoy that advantage even though depriving them of it

will benefit nobody else?

Anyway, when distributing a

scarce resource, endless cruel decisions have to be taken (either by doctors or by bureaucrats) about how it should be distributed. Such decisions, which are sometimes about life and death, are taken every day, though naturally they are not spelt out in public. If we want to reduce the need for them, as far as humanly possible, the only thing to do is to increase the amount of money available for

expenditure on medicine.

only objects of individual and social existence, the state's expenditure on doctors, nurses and hospitals has to be reconciled with its expenditure on defence, education and the rest and is limited, as every government in practice recognizes, by the community's willingness to put up with high taxation.

o all this (much of it, I admit, familiar though generally excluded from political debate, at least in the stark form of the IEA's authors) I would myself add but one general observation. The most effective impulses making for better health provision are the natural instincts of self-preservation and family affection.

If these are stultified, no one, rich or poor, will benefit, and allowing them scope does not make it impossible, but rather easier, to raise adequate funds for those who cannot provide medical care for themselves. Prohibiting or discouraging private expenditure on health even when this expenditure cannot be diverted by the state to public health is mad and wicked.

Incidentally, I rather hope Mrs Thatcher does not read this excellent IEA pamphlet. Otherwise, unspeakably honest woits contents in the Commons on Tuesdays and Thursdays for several weeks to come, and without necessary adaptations of style. That would be premature.

Incidentally also, I am about to go into a public ward for a short operation, having failed to get a private bed in the hospital of my choice. Whether this is intolerable inequality, acceptable inequality or, as I suspect, just an infernal unavoidable nuisance, I do not know. Anyway, it will involve my absence from or only intermittent appearance in this space for a little while.

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Commentary • TONY BLAIR

Thatcherism bites

Yesterday the poll tax; today the Finance Bill implementing last month's Budget; tomorrow, housing benefit cuts: for once at least, the debates in Parliament and those of the outside world coincide. On each the Government has severe difficulties. Yet Mrs Thatcher may be reflecting, with the self-confident cynicism of a prime minister in her third term of office, that there is little cause for alarm.

She may be thinking that the hesitation of the faint-hearted over her radical programme, followed by backbench revolt, will not deflect the Government from ultimate victory; she has seen it all before. If so, her complacency is most welcome to Labour. For it is becoming clearer with each successive measure that we are down to the hard core of "Thatcherism."

Years ago, when she became Tory leader, Mrs Thatcher made a speech in which she extolled what she called "the right to be unequal" It received wide publicity, partly perhaps because at the time it seemed such an odd. even shocking, thing to say. It has always been plain that Mrs Thatcher ardently believes in inequality. The question today is whether the country does.

Contrary to what is asserted by those who believe in "Thatcherism", this question has not yet arisen in a pristine form. To be sure, inequality has grown at a rampant pace. But it has been

masked, in part, by other issues. Until now the political philos-ophy loosely called "Thatcherism" has manifested itself in policies such as council house sales, trade union law "reform" and privatization. None, in any sense, in polemical terms at least, advances "the right to be unequal." Indeed, it could be maintained that their stated purpose (though not their actual effect) was the opposite. The rhetoric, whatever the reality, was all about "more people owning their own homes" "wider share ownership", "giv-ing unions back to their members" and so on. That was presumably why she

chose at the last Tory conference to quote from Labour's 1974 manifesto - which talked of "the irreversible shift" in the distribution of wealth to working people - in order to justify her pro-

The same can be said for the attacks on "inefficiency" and "bureaucracy". These have been popular (if often extremely unfair) themes which have drawn key elements of the skilled working class and middle class to the Tory cause. But an economy can be efficient and anti-bureaucratic without being socially divided. Whatever appeal "Thatcherism" has had, it has not yet been explicitly on the

basis of justifying inequality. That is why the Thatcher programme is now in a different phase altogether. Its ultimate purpose has been reached. Before, it was an attack on "the state"; now it is an attack on the notion of society itself.

"There is no such thing as society, only families and individuals," Mrs Thatcher said words that Labour should repeat ad infinitum. It is that view which the poll tax, the social security changes and the top-rate tax cuts will put to the test. Worse for the Government, it

will do so in a particularly

effective way. What brought the

NHS controversy to the boil was not the recital of competing statistics but the concentration on individual cases. The common feature of all these recent changes is that they lend themselves spectacularly to such an approach, as Neil Kinnock dem-onstrated in the Commons last week. Suddenly we are talking not of broad socio-economic categories but of real people.

This is why, at one level, the dangers for the Tories are so different from, say, the Westland affair. That was no doubt very serious for the Prime Minister personally but it did not touch the Government's underlying political rationale. This week's measures do. The

perception of widening social division is now palpable, and the public is not indifferent to it, for two reasons: first, "fairness" is a basic British trait and, second, the vast majority of people do believe in this thing called "society". They believe in it not just morally, but because common sense tells them that there are certain services - education. health, etc - which must be organized on a social basis and that a community that is riven by deep inequality is unlikely to be a pleasant place in which to live and bring up children. Tory hopes will therefore rest to an ever greater degree on the illusion of economic prosperity for the working majority, created by high growth rates and stimulated by consumer spending and rising

real wages.

If, as seems increasingly likely, this proves unsustainable also, the whole political climate of the country could change. The author is Labour MP for Sedgefield.

SCIENCE REPORT

Glass to last

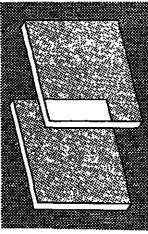
An investigation of specimens of natural glass more than 1,000 million years old, now reported by four Canadian researchers, is not only exciting in its own right but will have important consequences for the nuclear waste industry.

Writing in the journal Geology, H.C. Palmer and col-leagues at the University of Western Outario describe their discovery as amazing, because most naturally formed glass is energetically unstable and after tens of millions of years is usually converted into a crytalline form.

If researchers can find glass that is unchanged after 1,000 million years, might they be able to synthesize a material that lasts as long when incorporating nuclear waste? David Savage of the British

Geological Survey acknowledged the importance of the article by Palmer and his colleagues. He said yesterday that the discovery has clear implications for nuclear waste

The extraordinary volcanic glass has come to light over the past decade during the mapping of rock formations on Michipicoten Island in Lake Superior and other volcani-cally formed islands in the region. Most of the records of naturally-occurring glasses among the Earth's rocks are less than two million years old, although some North American samples may be 40 million years old. Reports of Pre-cambrian glass (more than 600 million years old) are rare, but



Michipicotea glass is much the oldest so far recorded. especially in such a state of

The essential contribution of Palmer and his colleagues is to establish that these speci-mens, hitherto described as glass on the strength of their transparency and because their properties are the same in all directions, are indeed true glass. Several tests, using X-rays, electron beams and ordinary microscopes, have convinced the researchers that their material is glass. The material seems to be a volcanic glass similar to obsidian, much traded for ornamental purposes since Roman times. But the Canadian obsidian

is much older than any previous specimen. Two different kinds of radioactive dating methods give the age as 1,000 million years, which is con-

that the detailed arrangemen of the atoms in the glass may be responsible, and that the secret may lie in how the glass was formed in the first place, and the rate at which it cooled. Natural glass differs from most other minerals in not being a well-ordered crystalline solid, which is why it behaves over long periods as if it were a viscous liquid, like extremely thick treacle. In various conditions, silicabased glass will crystallize into other forms of silicate, while natural glass is also susceptible to water at high temperatures and pressures. For this reason Palmer and his colleagues say they are surprised that the nuclear industry has focused on glass for long-term waste storage and that, on belance, synthetic rock such as that developed by Professor A.E. Ringwood at the Australian National Uni-

versity, Canberra, would be more suitable. The new discovery may throw light on how glass can be made to last longer. Savage said yesterday that the most important need is to contain the longest-living radioactive isotopes in the nuclear waste, such as those of maniam and

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HISTORIC RESULT

As our Paris correspondent describes on the opposite page, the French right has been fractured. But so has the French left. That should not be forgotten in all the speculation about M. Le Pen's triumph.

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If the right has been fractured, the left has been ampurated. That, more so than anything about M. Le Pen, is likely to be the larger consequence of Sunday's voting Anti-social-ism entered the campaign with three candidates two of whom - M. Chirac and M. Barre - split the bulk of the anti-Mitterrand vote and weakened one another, while the third, M. Le Pen, took votes from the other TWO.

But socialism did not even enter the campaign. M. François Mitterrand could have fought this election as a socialist who had for years struggled to become President and make France a more equal society, who at last won the chance in 1981, only to have it snatched away from him in 1986 when Parliament passed into the hands of a reactionary majority. In a France which since 1958 has had an executive presidency on the American model, he could have campaigned against a reactionary Assembly rather in the way that, when M. Mitterrand was young, the Democrat Truman beat the Republican Dewey by campaigning against a reactionary Republican Congress. But M. Mitterrand knew that this time the people would have been on the side of the allegedly reactionary Assembly.

The 1986 Assembly elections had indeed stopped M. Mitterrand from making France a more "equal society". And since 1986 all tests of public opinion suggest that the French people intend to keep it that way. They have caught up with nearly all the other major Western electorates in the 1980s - preferring equality of opportunity in a free market to the inequality, in a State-planned economy, between State planners and planned.

Had M. Mitterrand campaigned as a socialist, he would have lost. So he campaigned as a patriarch above mere ideology. Being 71, and of a serene - indeed, vague - disposition, he won. This, then, is the first Fifth Republican presidential election on the mass franchise in which socialism has not been an issue. Previously, two of the leading candidates have always made it so - the other being the

But the Communist came nowhere on Sunday. For once the overworked word "historic" is justified. Considering that so many of the left's symbols and language derive from France, including the very word socialism, it is an historic moment - more historic than anything to do with M. Le Pen. M. Le Pen's is a triumph with nowhere to go.

Whoever he throws his votes to on the second ballot, he cannot be sure that they will land where he wants them to. By chasing those votes too greedily, M. Chirac will lose plenty of others. And when the next Assembly elections are held — either in a few years' time or if the newly-elected President dissolves Parliament not long after May 8 - M. Le Pen will actually

He won so many in the 1986 Assembly elections only because President Mitterrand, in an attempt to do down M. Chirac's party, introduced proportional representation - something which should be pondered by all in Britain who equate PR with moderation. M. Chirac, as Prime Minister, used his Assembly majority to abolish PR.

In the next two weeks he could always try to win National Front votes by promising to reintroduce it. That would, however, be too opportunistic even for this French presidential contest. But when politicians such as M. Mitterrand and M. Chirac fight campaigns which are all opportunism and no ideology -and when fixity of purpose is left to unelectable candidates such as M. Le Pen - that means a country which agrees about the most important things. So, despite M. Le Pen, this election is proving good for France and therefore for Europe.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Community charge and the Lords From Lord Jenkins of Hillhead

Sir, Throughout a long career (now most justly crowned by the Garter) Lord Hailsham has whirred with the noise of impartial statesmanship while almost invariably alighting on the bough most convenient for the Conservative leadership of the day. Even to those familiar with these avian habits, however, his letter of April 23 must surely have seemed a little

He claims that any House of Lords interference with the Local Government Finance Bill would be unconstitutional, and would have been so since the 17th century. This is quite independent, he says, of the 1911 Parliament Act and therefore of the precise question of whether it is or is not a money Bill.

He prays in aid Halsbury's Laws of England. It is this citation which introduces the special note of rich comedy into the argument. For, if his point is valid, what does Lord Hailsham think that the said Halsbury (first Earl) was doing leading the "ditchers" in the continuing 1909 - 1911 struggle about the right of the Lords to throw out the whole Finance Bill? Surely, as an ex-Lord Chancellor of even more years of service than Lord Hailsham himself, he was not acting illegally? And there are plenty of other examples, from both earlier and later, which further refute Lord Hailsham from Gladstone's 1860 Paper Duties Bill to the Rates Bill of

The House of Lords will no doubt wish to reflect carefully on its duty when an elected government loses three quarters of its Commons majority and pro-foundly offends both expert and general opinion on an issue; but it should not believe that a spurious constitutionalism, pace Lord Hail-

sham and Mr Ridley, deprives it of effective choice. Yours faithfully, ROY JENKINS,

2 Kensington Park Gardens, W11. From Lord Stewart of Fulham, CH Sir, Lord Beloff (article, April 21) argues that although the commu-nity charge Bill may not be a money Bill "in the strict sense" we ought, for certain historical reasons, to treat it as if it were. This will open the door to unlimited historical argument about any important Bill.

To make the Parliament Acts work at all we need an indisputable definition of a money Bill, and this is provided in the Parliament Act of 1911. A Bill becomes a money Bill if Mr Speaker gives a certificate to that effect, and not otherwise. With respect to Lord Hailsham (April 23), resolutions of the House of Commons do not detract from the powers of the Lords.

Lord Beloff is on surer ground when he contends that the Lords should not oppose the Commons root and branch, but should be content to revise and improve. However, he goes on to suggest that people who also disagree with the Government's general philos-ophy are not capable of revising or improving a Bill. Does this make sense? Is someone who is totally opposed to the abolition of the ILEA to be deterred from saying, Well, at least save the London Schools Symphony Orchestra"?

Lord Beloff is, in effect, saying to the Lords: "None of you is entitled to do more than try to revise and improve; and those of you who disagree with the Government are not entitled to do that." Is this perhaps what Lord Beloff calls "exploiting the House of Lords for party purposes"? Yours etc. STEWART of FULHAM. House of Lords.

Back to a 'culture of concern'

From Mr B. E. Graham
Sir, In his article, "The fount of moral indifference" (April 18), thought-provoking as usual, Clif-ford Longley writes:

... the institutionalization of com-passion through the welfare state has dehumanized compassion itself.

What this, perhaps necessarily, lacks in terseness must surely be made up in aptness to our present condition. It is now acceptable for an adult daughter to claim on television during 1987's harsh winter that her mother's death from hypothermia was caused by inadequate Government support: it is now to be expected that a saintly old lady, horrified by the sarcophagal sleeping arrange-ments of London's down-and-outs, should plead with government for their betterment; it is now sadly unexceptional for repre-sentatives of the established Church to be heard complaining of the Government's neglect of some particularly disadvantaged section of the community: the inner cities, the unemployed, Liverpool City Council, etc.

There is no suggestion that either the complainant (or the organisations they represent) or the sufferer has any ameliorative role to play in these circumstances.

This surely is the crucial point of the Thatcherite revolution. The Government is intent on removing itself as far as possible from participating in civil society. The Government will maintain certain minimum levels of support: even its enthusiasm for Victorian lib-eralism does not extend, one hopes, to the exploitation of the mass of the people and the neglect of the mentally or physically disabled that unbridled capitalism inevitably creates; but beyond that it will be for the people, individ-ually and through their civil institutions, secular and religious, to ensure their own welfare to

warships. Your second editorial on April 25 said that my Govern-

ment "had demanded guarantees

from visiting warships that they

have no nuclear weapons on

This is incorrect. The legislation

passed by the New Zealand Par-

liament last year says that the Prime Minister may authorise a

visit by a foreign warship if he is satisfied that it is not carrying

My Government has made it

clear that it has no intention of

asking either the ship or the

Government it belongs to whether

it is carrying nuclear weapons. The

judgement will be made on the

basis of information collected by

New Zealand agencies, and their

considered assessments, and this

As your editorial referred to the

recent action of the Danish Par-

liament, perhaps I should take this

opportunity to reiterate what I

have said often in the past. The New Zealand Government's pol-

icy was worked out for New

The South Pacific is not an area

of nuclear confrontation, and

there is no reason why it should

become one. New Zealand is not

in the business of telling other

countries how to look after their

New Zealand High Commission, New Zealand House,

he had worked it from telegraph

In the text of "Silver Blaze"

Holmes does not "estimate" the speed. It was Mr Gavin Ewart

(April 19) who first put that word

into his mouth. What Holmes says

is that "Our rate at present is fifty-

three and a half miles an hour"

The letter from Mr K. H

Williams (April 22) is doubly

flawed. In the first place, if Holmes had performed the approximation that Mr Williams

approximation that Mr williams proposes, he would not have concluded that the speed was precisely fifty-three and a half miles an hour working the

approximation does not lead to

that. In the second place, if he had

approximated the speed, for him

then to announce the speed as fact,

verifiable by anyone who could

perform a simple mathematical

calculation, is as out of character

The point remains. To reach the

conclusion Holmes reached from

the data given, within moments, reveals extraordinary mental abil-

as is lying to Dr Watson.

ROBERT THORESBY,

From Mr Robert Ranscombe

Sir, Whilst having the exhaust on my Austin Montego, registered number C33 GJO, replaced today

I noticed on the adjacent ramp,

also having its exhaust replaced, Austin Montego C32 GJO. Is this

a case of very carefully planned obsolescence by Austin Rover?

Yours faithfully, ROBERT RANSCOMBE,

Abingdon, Oxfordshire.

October House, Abbey Close,

l Garden Court, Temple, EC4.

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April 22.

April 20.

own security. Yours faithfully, DAVID LANGE,

Haymarket, SW1.

(my emphasis).

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nuclear weapons.

whatever standard and in what-ever way they think fit.

It is in this new climate that a "culture of concern" will be required. If we wish to temper individualism with neighbour-liness in our society - to ensure the welfare of others to a higher standard than the minimum - it will be through our active and direct involvement in the institutions we create to achieve this, but more importantly, it will be manifested in the myriad acts of help and concern which society as individuals must re-learn to

Advocates of the welfare state will stigmatise this as "charity", even, one suspects, those of the clergy who see the vociferous and sometimes intemperate lobbying of government on its welfare obligations as the best expression of their Christian responsibilities and who seem less diligent in preaching the essential, and essen-tially personal, part that charity must play in "love of neighbour".

Mr Longley is wrong in thinking that secularism has created the present "culture of indifference"; statism, the all-embracing welfare state, in the development of which the churches have colluded wholeheartedly, is the cause of that. The contemporaneous demise of godliness is merely coincidental.

The charge is that both secularism and religion, while pro-claiming "love of neighbour" as, respectively, their first and second great commandment, have believed that its implementation can be delegated to the State. The challenge is to rediscover its accomplishment by individual acts of concern. Yours sincerely, BRIAN GRAHAM,

The New House, Ogbourne Maizey, Nr Marlborough, Wiltshire.

THE HOLOCAUST REVISITED

The death sentence passed in Israel yesterday on John Demjanjuk was the sad but predictable consequence of his conviction for multiple murder seven days before. Once the court had decided that John Demjanjuk, Ohio car worker, and Ivan the Terrible, sadistic warder at the Treblinka concentration camp 1942-43, were one and the same, he was unlikely to escape the ultimate penalty. Under Israeli law, the ultimate penalty is death by hanging.

Given that the sentence appeared to be little more than a formality, it is to the credit of the judges that they deliberated for three hours before pronouncing sentence. However heinous the crimes and however impassioned the feelings of the victims - the individual victims of Treblinka and Israelis as collective victims of the Holocaust — the death sentence is not something to be passed lightly.

Whether the death sentence is an appropriate judicial measure in any circumstances is a question individual countries must determine for themselves. The justice of trying people in old age for crimes they are alleged to have committed in other countries more than 40 years ago, however, is an issue which has relevance for any country where war criminals or their victims have found a haven.

War crimes investigations are increasingly beset with risks. As memories of the last war fade, the danger grows that justice will be miscarried. If a case has taken more than four decades to come to light, it may be asked, how sound is the evidence on which it is based and how certain can a court be that old scores are not being settled, whether between individuals or even between states?

The weight of the evidence on which Demjanjuk was first deported from the United States and then convicted was overwhelming. The spectacle of an elderly man being deported forcibly from his adopted country was not edifying. Yet, in the most serious cases, where mass murder is concerned, it must be right that the perpetrators should be pursued and brought to justice whatever the delay. If adequate evidence is available and the provisions of justice are observed, there are crimes that cannot and should not go unpunished.

Where the crimes are of a lesser order, however, the issue becomes more complicated. Whatever beliefs are held about the indivisibility of morality, whatever the merits of the argument that murder is murder, there must still be room for differentiation.

In West Germany and Israel, the two countries where the Second World War and the Holocaust evoke particular memories, it is understandable that attitudes should be different from those prevailing in, say, Britain. The common will to purge the past or establish a framework for the future means that the line between those cases which are brought to trial and those which are not may be less discriminating; the net of investigation may be cast more widely.

Even then, however, the death sentence on John Demjanjuk arouses misgivings. The last person to hang in Israel was Adolf Eichmann, 26 years ago. In sentencing Demjanjuk, the judge said "the crimes he committed cannot be forgiven, either in law or in the heart. A thousand deaths will not exonerate him or be weighed against his crime". These words reflect the part played by the common memory of the Holocaust in Israeli statehood. But they do not make the death sentence inevitable.

If the Israeli authorities could see their way to commuting the death sentence, this would further mark the emergence of Israel as the civilized state it aspires to be. There could be few more appropriate ways in which Israel could mark the 40th anniversary of its foundation.

Racial fairness

From the Chief Executive of the Commission for Racial Equality Sir, In your leading article on "Mr Powell's prophecy" (April 22) you claim that the growth of the "forces acting against integration" can be illustrated by the growth of the "race relations industry" over the last twenty years, many of whose representatives are now "bent on achieving positive discrimination for their client eroups".

The Commission for Racial Equality has not departed from the principle that appointment for jobs should be on merit. It does support the measures allowed by the Race Relations Act to encourage and train members of particular racial groups to fit them for jobs in which they are underrepresented.

There are also a few highly-specialised situations in which the aw will regard race itself as a genuine occupational qualification, for example, where the work involves meeting the special needs of particular racial groups.

Troubles at National From Mr Robert Eddison

Sir, I regret having become involved in the current dramas at the National Theatre, but must protest at the information supplied by the theatre (report, April 22) to account for my departure from the three Shakespeare productions.

The reason for my leaving was a perfectly simple one: my inability to agree with Sir Peter Hall on the way Shakespeare's verse should be spoken; the question of geriatric incompetence at no time arose.

I am sorry that my disagreement with Sir Peter (a matter, some will think, of small importance) should now have been publicised; had I wished to make recriminators noises they would have been aired on March 2, not seven weeks later. Yours sincerely, ROBERT EDDISON, 8 Burnsall Street, SW3.

Gas blast damage From the Chairman of John

April 22.

Laing plc Sir, That part of your report (April 19) on the Putney gas explosion case which states that British Gas ple and John Laing Construction Limited have "accepted liability" for the explosion at Newnham House in 1985 was incorrect.

No liability whatsoever was accepted by either John Laing Construction or British Gas plc. Indeed, the decision to make a contribution to the settlement was based upon commercial and humanitarian grounds and upon the understanding that no liability was allocated or accepted.

The judgement which formed part of the settlement was a necessary legal requirement which had to be completed because some of the claimants were minors, rather than an actual decision given by Mr Justice Kennedy. Yours faithfully, MARTIN LAING, Chairman, John Laing plc, Page Street, NW7. April 22.

Words of wisdom

From Mr Raleigh St Lawrence Sir, Mr Murphy (April 20) might try the words used by my wife to our eldest child on first tucking her up in her cot 30-odd years ago:"Now, it's no use crying". Yours faithfully, RALEIGH St LAWRENCE, 102 Exeter Street, Salisbury, Wiltshire. April 21.

Dangerous waters But most of our effort has gone into combating racial discrimina-From the Prime Minister of New tion, and there is nothing that is Zeoland preventing integration more than Sir, I was sorry to find, on my

the persistence of this shabby and divisive form of injustice. Yours faithfully, PETER SANDERS, Chief Executive, Commission for Racial Equality,

Elliot House, 10-12 Allington Street, SWI. April 22. From Sir Patrick Donner

Sir, You refer in your leading article today to the very rapid growth of the "race relations industry" over the last 20 years, many of whose representatives are now bent on achieving positive discrimination for their client groups and whose existence depends on accentuating the griev-ance and resentment felt by the ethnic population towards the white

This is true, but ought not two things to be added? First, the meaning of the phrase "positive discrimination" is, in plain English, discrimination against the indigenous population. If such a policy is being pursued by the race relations industry it must result in breeding racial hatred where none existed before. Ought not Government urgently to consider effective legal action to curb such dangerous and evil activity?

Secondly, if the ethnic population nurture "grievance and resentment" because they dislike our way of life, values and standards, there is nothing to prevent them from settling else-where. If ticket money is a difficulty, aid can be applied for. Yours sincerely. PATRICK DONNER, Hurstbourne Park, Whitchurch, Hampshire.

Not so elementary

April 22.

From Mr Robert Thoresby Sir, What flaws Mr M. J. Oakley's letter (April 22) is that he refuses to accept what Mr Sherlock Holmes actually said. If he worked the calculation from quarter-mile posts, why did he tell Dr Watson in terms that he had not observed them? If he worked the calculation from counting rail joints, why did he lie to Watson and tell him that

Taxing figures

From Mr G. D. Bernstein Sir, Having just acquired a copy of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988, I notice that this magnum opus now runs to some 1,070 pages. The previous consolidation of the tax legislation in 1970 ran to just 670 pages. As a rough indication, therefore, we can conclude that the complexity of the tax laws of this country has increased by more than half over the last 18 years. It appears that the Chancellor still has some way to go in his fiscal reforms if he is to achieve the comparative simplicity of the early 1970s.

I also note that the 1988 version of the Act costs 12½ times as much as the 1970 version. Despite the advances in printing technology over the last 18 years, the cost per page has increased just under eight times, which is 40 per cent more than the increase in the retail price index over the same period.

On the other hand, it compares rather favourably with the nine-fold increase in the cover price of your august journal. Yours faithfully. G. D. BERNSTEIN (Consulting actuary), Lidbrook House. 162 Regents Park Road, Finchley, N3.

April 15.

arrival in London, that you have still not understood the position of the New Zealand Government on the question of visits by nuclear

ON THIS DAY

APRIL 26 1825 There was no sign on the occasion described below of the unpopularity of George IV shown during the trial of his wife, Princess Caroline, four years earlier

COVENT-GARDEN THEATRE

The King honoured this house

with his presence last night. It

was announced that the doors ould be a and long before the arrival of that hour, the various entrances were besieged by crowds, who bore all the fatigue of standing and pressure with exemplary pa-tience, in the hope of being able, by obtaining early admission, to secure a situation from which they could command a view of His Majesty. When at length the doors were thrown open, the rush was tremendous. Nor was it confined to the doors alone; the struggle to ascend the stairs leading up to the boxes was for some moments quite terrific, and rendered more so by the screams of those ladies who had the hardihood to encounter such pressure. There were two who very narrowly escaped being trampled to death; for, either their strength or their bokks giving way, they were forced down from the second or third stair, thrown upon their backs. and with the greatest difficulty dragged from under the people's feet. In a very few minutes the house was completely filled to the roof. The crowd in the pit was so overpowering, that most of the few women who had ventured into it, were obliged to be taken up into the boxes, many of them in a fainting state, and all as if just emerged from a bath. As the ladies in the dress-circle assisted in the dress-circle assisted in pulling them up from beneath their humanity was loudly ap-plauded by the rest of the audience... The Royal box was most handsomely fitted up for the occasion... Precisely at seven His Majesty entered the box, when the whole audience rose simultaneously, and greeted his appearance with the most enthusiastic cheering and waving of hats and handkerchiefs, in return for which His Majesty bowed repeatedly. The curtain then rose, and the entire comthen rose, and the entire com-pany came forward, and sang "God save the King," in the chorus of which, both the Sov-ereign and the rest of the audience joined... The piece selected by His Majesty was Der Freischutz, of the music of which be is said to be passionately fond. As soon as the overture commenced, he paid the greatest attention to the performance, timing the music with the motion of both his head and hands, and at its conclusion he applauded it warmly. He manifested equal interest in the performance of the rest of the opera and seemed particularly pleased with the song which Miss Paton sings towards its close, and which, as well as most of the other airs, was honoured with his applause. At the conclusion of the opera, the audience called for "Rule Britannia," which was immediately sung by the whole company, His

Majesty and the audience stand-ing all the while, and joining in

TWO ENVIRONMENTAL WEEKS

This week has been designated "the week of the environment" in Britain. Hundreds of local voluntary efforts are taking place under the aegis of the Civic Trust. The events cover the whole field of what is understood in Britain as environmentalism: from planting shrubs and repainting railings to cleaning litter-strewn verges and learning about acid rain.

The Environment Secretary, Mr Nicholas Ridley, has pointed out that the emphasis of the week is on local, practical issues that can be tackled effectively by small voluntary groups. Voluntary activities reflect civic pride and loyalty and accord well with government policy towards the inner cities. They are also cheap.

Meanwhile, in the West German city of Hanover, a very different environment week is taking place. This is the West German annual industrial fair whose theme this year is environmental protection, in particular the reduction of air pollution. The projects it advertises are by no means cheap.

The products and projects on show represent investments worth billions of dollars. They range from air pollution filters to machines for recycling sludge. The companies concerned have every confidence that they will make a handsome profit on their investment and capture a big share of a rapidly growing world market for environmental protection technol-

West Germany's federal and state governments are supporting this. As well as providing money, they have introduced stricter environmental legislation, forcing firms to adapt. This has benefited both the firms responsible for pollution and the firms producing the requisite technology. This technology is by no means lacking in Britain. Firms like Ecotech, of Birmingham, are world leaders. Yet our share of the world market for environmental. protection equipment has fallen sharply in recent years.

Britain's international competitors have been faster to recognize that sooner or later stringent environmental laws are likely to be introduced throughout the developed world. One example involves CFC gases, blamed for damage to the ozone layer. Seeing restrictions on the way years ago, American chemical companies such as Du Pont began the search for alternatives. Now they are beginning to reap the rewards.

Another example concerns acid rain largely a product of unfiltered emissions from car exhausts and oil- and coal-burning powerstations. The increasing integration of the European Community will increase the pressure for legislation compelling the installation of filters to eliminate nitrogen oxides and sulphur dioxide. West German companies are investing in the production of such filters. Britain will have to buy them.

A third field is the search for alternative, renewable sources of energy. Evidence is accumulating that carbon dioxide emissions from fossil fuels threaten the world with the socalled "Greenhouse Effect", which could cause massive flooding and climactic change by the middle of the next century. The country which leads the world away from such a crisis would be well placed among the successful economic powers of its time. At present, this does not seem likely to be Britain.

British firms will have to become more aware of the way the world is going. Painting walls and planting shrubs is not enough. Environmentalism in Britain should not be the province of the woolly beard brigade; it is not elsewhere. Environmental deterioration is a threat to us all: preventing it is an opportunity for the farsighted.

Clifford Longley



COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE April 25: The Princess Royal, President, Save the Children Fund, this morning travelled by train on the new British Rail Thameslink Line from King's Cross to Blackfriars Station where Her Royal Highness named the train "The Save The Children Week Special".

Her Royal Highness subsequently launched Save the Children Week 1988.

The Princess Royal afterwards travelled by "The Save The Children Week Special" to Crystal Palace and attended a party given for children by Network South East.

Lieutenant-Colonel Peter Gibbs was in attendance.

The Princess Royal, Colonelin-Chief, The Worcestershire and Sherwood Foresters Regiment (29th/45th Foot), this afternoon at Buckingham Palace received Lieutenant-Colonel G. Jefferies (The Devonshire and Dorset Regiment) on relinquishing command of the 4th Battalion, The Worcester-shire and Sherwood Foresters Regiment and Lieutenant-Colo-nel M. J. J. Walsh upon assuming command.

KENSINGTON PALACE April 25: The Duke of Glouces-ter this morning visited the new offices of RMJM Scotland Ltd at 10 Bells Brae, Dean Village, Edinburgh and in the afternoon visited the "Gold of the Pharaohs" Exhibition at the City of Edinburgh Art Centre.

His Royal Highness, attended by Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Simon Bland, travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

The Duchess of Gloucester, President of National Children's paid to Lord Ramsey of Canterbury. Ramsey had the characteristic quality Home, was present this evening of a man of God, of seeming to be on intimate terms with the Almighty. Such at a performance of Handel's Messiah at the Royal Festival Hall, London SE1. people give an impression that so sharp are their eyes of faith, they can actually Mrs Howard Page was in see what the rest of us cannot: they can

God".

There are a hundred ways of saying public prayers, and 99 of them fail to convey any sense that someone is really listening. They lack that total sincerity which makes the act of praying look and feel like real communication. Its presence is indicated by such subtle and almost imperceptible hints and clues that a mere performance would give itself away. A man of God is a man of prayer, and the outward signs of genuineness come from a life of prayer of many hours over many years. A man of God "knows" God; while most of those in the professional religion busi-

The present Pro-Nuncio in Britain, Archbishop Luigi Barbarito, tells a story

from an earlier position he held, when

he had to recommend a name for a most

He was approached by a senior

statesman, who gave him an account, in confidence, of the three leading contenders. One was an astute poli-

tician, ideal for the turbulence of

church-state problems; the second was a

brilliant administrator and pastoral

manager; but of the third nothing more

was said except that he was "a man of

It was the third who got the job. And

the statesmen subsequently congratu-lated Archbishop Barbarito on having

given them the leader they needed and

wanted. The phrase "man of God" sums

up the qualities the world looks for in a

church leader, and it is phrase in currency again, in the tributes being

see God paying attention to their

important church vacancy.

ness only know "about" him. It is an extraordinary fact, and an extraordinary piece of evidence for the

truth of religion, that long hours spent in silent communication with a God who never directly answers is nevertheless manifestly a two-way communication. Such a person is gradually and permanently altered in the depths of his personality in ways which would be inconceivable if there was really "nothing there" at all. The Michael Ramseys of this world do not acquire the outward warmth and inward calm of true holiness by spending their prayer time in futile musings.

The significance of such people is that they make real prayer seem possible. All religion rests on the supposition that God's ways can be made known not just by the study of theology and sacred literature and the performance of ritual. but also and primarily by the direct contact of human consciousness with God's consciousness.

It is all too familiar for it to be recognized as the amazing claim it really is: that the mind of the Creator of the Universe is actually accessible in every instant to the minds of his creatures. It is the men of God who have adopted that as their fundamental habit of thought, and extended the periphery of reality accordingly. For them, it is the single most important thing about being alive. For the rest, it is a concept only with a degree of plausibility, hard to take completely seriously, hard even to imagine what it would be like to do so.

Most people who at least attempt to give religion its due are not encouraged by such a prospect, but put off by it. The idea of God, if properly appreciated, is at first a terrifying one. Only an idea of God which is not much more than a hypothesis even a hypothesis one happens to favour, is comfortable. And so most prayer, public or private, is hypothetical prayer: if God exists, this is what we would want to say to him.

It is not so much an experience of mental and spiritual communion with a vast invisible reality, more like putting

THE THYSSEN MASTERPIECES

The inward calm of holiness messages in glass bottles and throwing them overboard. It is that kind of prayer which is familiar to ordinary folk from Sunday services and religious broadcasts, and the very possibility of real prayer seems excluded by it. Halfhearted religion gives real religion a bad

> The opposite is also true. Religion cannot offer scientific evidence of its truth, but the objective existence of a rare state called holiness or sanctity would be exceedingly hard to dismiss. Holy people are somehow equipped with a burning and transparent ability to love. Their sanity and sincerity is instantly convincing. They can attract and inspire others, yet need none of the usual skills of manipulative leadership to do so. They can sometimes be slightly daft; though many of them do manage to have their heads screwed on exceeding tight. And unlike ordinary people trying to be pious, they can also be fun

> What the "man of God" (and the by no means less common "woman of God") advertises is the possibility of growth towards spiritual perfection, and with it the transformation of the whole personality. The world, while regarding the ability to love as vital to human happiness, and the warmth of a loving nature as one of the most attractive of all human qualities, is deterministic and fatalistic about such things. You either have them or you do not, as you might or might not be born with any other

But they are not "given" in this way; nor has the whole science of human behaviour yet found a trick for cultivating them. People only learn to love by being loved. The lesson which a man of God teaches is that the one unique school of love of which we know is a life of prayer. That can only mean that the experience of prayer is an experience of

and of the technical side of postwar BBC television expansion at home, died on April 22, aged 81. Pulling could understand the aims of the programme makers and yet present technical limitations to these aims in a sympathetic manner. He

was thus welcome on both sides of broadcasting. After wartime experience in sound broadcasting, he went to Alexandra Palace in 1950, and took charge of television engineering at a time of

OBITUARY

MR MARTIN PULLING

Expansion of television at

growth. In the years that followed, he supervised the extension of television beyond the London area to the Midlands, the North, and in due course throughout the country. But already in the summer

of 1950 (the centenary of the first cross-Channel cable link) came the opportunity for a dramatic extension with the relaying of the first television programme from overseas from France. This was done with BBC cameras and crew located in Calais but the signals to London having to be conveyed by portable radio links.

This feat forever associated the name of Pulling with "Eurovision". Two years later it was followed by the "Anglo-French Week" during which programmes originating in Paris were transmitted each

On this occasion, the programmes were also seen simultaneously by viewers in France, so it was necessary to use French 819-line cameras, with a system of "conversion"

home and abroad Mr Martin Pulling, CBE, the chief architect of Eurovision, interposed along the route in order to ensure the requisite 405 lines for reception in this

country. For the Queen's Coronation, radio linkages were again set up, but this time in the reverse direction so that audiences in France, the Netherlands, and West Germany (the

only other European countries then operating television) were able to see the pageantry. The inauguration of permanent facilities came in June

1954, with a month of programmes throughout Europe. The technical planning for all these innovations was Pulling's responsibility, in cooperation with opposite numbers in the other countries

concerned. in 1954 the European Broadcasting Union took this enterprise under its wing, inviting Pulling to chair an international technical committee to co-ordinate arrangements. Pulling did this job for the next 12 years. the next 13 years.

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He also supervised the advances occurring in this country, notably the introduction of television recording in the late 1950s and the inauguration of the new Television Centre in 1960.

in 1962 Pulling was appointed assistant director of engineering with responsibilities beyond television. He saw through the inauguration of BBC2 and the introduction of colour. He became Deputy Director of Engineering in 1963 and held the post until retirement in 1967.

He is survived by his Belgian wife, Yvonne. There were

School announcements

Oundle School Summer Term began on Anril

19. The new Library, the second of three major appeal projects, was completed on schedule and opened on April 18 by Mr Humphrey Cripps. The exeat is fromm May 27 to 31. Term ends with speech day and the leavers' ball on Saturday, July 2.

St George's School, Ascot St George's School, Ascot
Boarders returned to St
George's School, Ascot. for
Summer Term on Tuesday.
April 19 with Sophie Dreyer
continuing as head girl. The
mothers and daughters tennis
match will be on Saturday, July
2. Term ends on July 9 at noon.

St Hilda's School, Bushey Summer Term began on April 19. The school is celebrating its seventieth birthday with the opening of the Whitby Hall on Friday, July 8, by Lady Stuart-Smith, and an open afternoon on July 12. On both occasions pupils will present a pageant. The annual Ascension Day outing will be to Blenheim Palace; the PTA family fun day will be on Saturday, June 25.

Term begins today at the Wells House School, Malvern Wells. The Darvall Foundation has been set up and any old boy who would like further information is asked to write to the headmaster along with details, as an Old Boy Register is being compiled. On Saturday, July 3 there will be three old boys' cricket teams taking part in matches, with a barbeque afterwards for families. Please notify the school if you would like to come. Term ends on Friday, July 8 with the commemoration service when the Preacher will be Mr R.D. Lane, Headmaster of Monmouth School, and

Marriages

Mr R.C. Farquhar and Miss E. de H. Reeves The marriage took place at St Oswald's Church, Oswestry, on Saturday, April 23, 1988, of Mr Richard Farquhar to Miss Fmma Reeves.

A reception was held at Halston, near Oswestry and the honeymoon is being spent in the Maldive Islands.

Mr M.T. Gooch

The marriage took place at the Parish Church of St Michael with St_Bartholomew, Great Lever, Bolton, on April 16, 1988, between Mr Mark Tristan Gooch and Miss Alison Louise

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Miss Victoria Hulse and Alison and Jennifer Gooch. Mr Nigel Gooch was best man. A reception was held at Egerton House and the honeymoon is being spent abroad.

and Miss N. Ligabue The marriage took place on Saturday, April 23, in Reggio Emilia, Italy, between Mr Alessandro Valeri and Miss

Nicoletta Ligabue. The honeymoon will be spent in the west of the United States.

Latest wills

Mrs Edna Florence Fleming, of Chiswick, London, left estate valued at £5,006,517 net.

Professor Kingsley Bryce Speakman Smellie, of London SW19. professor of political science at the London School of Economics 1949-65, left estate valued at £256,364 net.

Mr Christopher Gordon Ede, of Otterbourne, Hampshire, master of pageantry who helped to establish son et lumière in Britain, lest estate valued at £161.758 net.

Mr Colum Kenny, of Ilford. Essex, left estate valued at £2,117,031 net. Mr Charles Leslie Goldsmith, of Exeter, Devon, left estate valued

at £357,255 net. Mrs Anne Brown Helroyd, of Ilkely. West Yorkshire, left estate valued at £372,737 net. Dr Jeremiah O'Leary, Hexham, Northumberland, left estate valued at £252,706 net. Marie Eleanore Wood, of London, left estate

valued at £631,920 net.

Birthdays today

Mr Edward Cazalet, QC, 52; Mr David Coleman, sports com-mentator, 62; Sir Gordon Dowmentator, 62; Sir Gordon Downey, former Comptroller and Auditor General, 60; Mr J.C.B. Gosling, principal, St Edmund Hall, Oxford, 58; Professor Margaret Gowing, scientific historian, 67; Professor J.C. Holt, medieval historian, 66; Mr M.L.R. Isaac, headmaster, Latymer Upper School, Hammersmith, 60; Major-General Hany Knutton, former Guilds of London Institute, 67; Dr Anne McLaren, zoologist, 61; Professor Wilfred Mellers, composer, 74; Sir Oliver Millar, Surveyor of The Oneen's Pio-Surveyor of The Queen's Pictures, 65: Professor J.E. Morpurgo, professor of American literature, 70; Mr Peter Schaufuss, ballet dancer and choreographer, 39; Dame Margaret Scott, founding director, Australian Ballet School, 66; Professor J.R. Sutherland, professor of modern English literature, 88; Mr Derek Waring, actor, 58; Mr Morris West,

Parliament this week

reading row (2.30): Debate on Opp-motion on changes in housing Licensing Bill. Lords amend-British Raliways (No 2) Bill. reading. ments. British Railways (No 2) Bul., second reading. Thursday (2.30): Copyright. Designs and Palents Bill. second reading. Mollon on 1989 summer time order. Friday (9.30): Licensing (Retail Sales) Bill. report. Access to Medical Reports Bill. committee. Medical Examination of Children at Risk Bill. second reading.

committee, second day.
Tomorrow (2.30: Debates on public health and on the BBC.
Thursday (3): Housing (Scotland) Bill. committee, third day.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: John James Audubon, naturalist and artist, Cayes, Haiti, 1785; Eugène Delacroix; painter, Charenton-Saint-Maupanter, Charento-Sant-Madrice, France, 1798; Artemus Ward, writer. Waterford, Maine, 1834; John Grierson, documentary film producer. Perth, 1898.

DEATHS: Bjornstjerne Bjornson, novelist and dramatist, Paris, 1910; Karl Bosch, chem-ist, Nobel laureate 1931, 1940; Pratt. poet, Toronto

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Royal Over-Seas League Professor R.C. Whitfield, Honorary Chairman of the National Campaign for the Family, was the guest speaker at a meeting of the Discussion Circle of the Royal Over-Seas League held last night at Over-Seas House. Miss Hazel Ellis

Reception

Airey Neave Trust
The Airey Neave Trust held a
reception last night at the House of Commons. by courtesy of Mr Ian Gow, MP. Lord Colnbrook. chairman, received the guests. Sir John Tilney presented cheques to Mr Frederick Hyde-Chambers and Mr Philip Jeyaretnam, winners of the 1987 Scholarship awards.

Dinners

Athenaeum
Mr Anthony Jones was a speaker at a dinner held last night at the Athenaeum. Mr Jimmy Savile was in the chair.

Freight Transport Association The Attorney-General was the guest of honour at the annual dinner of the Freight Transport Association held last night at the Hilton International hotel. London. Mr S. Phillips, presi-dent, presided.

Ball

The Marsden Rock 'n Roll Ball in aid of the Royal Marsden Cancer Appeal, will be held on May 5, at Glaziers' Hall. Dancing will be to The Jets and Juliana's Discotheque from 9.30pm until 2.00am. Tickets at £18 each are obtainable from Mr Simon Gold, 11 Sandy Lodge, Avenue Road, Highgate, London, N6 5DQ. Tel: 341 7286.

Forthcoming marriages

Hercules at the Court of Omphale, by Hans Cranach (1510-1537): The humiliation of Hercules by Omphale, Queen of

and Miss F.M.F.A. Taylor-Maughan The engagement is announced

between James, younger son of Mr and Mrs C.G.D. Bond, of Riverview Gardens, Barnes, and Frances, daughter of Mr and Mrs S.A. Taylor-Maughan, of Cape Town, South Africa.

Mr A.A. Hassan and Miss C.A. Luchesa

The engagement is announced between Ayman, second son of Professor and Mrs A.Y. Hassan, of Toronto, Ontario, Canada, and Carolina, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs F. Luchesa, of Kingston upon Thames, Surrey.

Mr R.J. Jurgens and Miss D-M. Peach

The engagement is announced between Robert James, second son of Mr and Mrs Michael Jurgens, of Silchester, near Reading, Berkshire, and Deana-Marie, daughter of Mrs Victoria Peach and of Mr L. Peach, of Miami, Florida.

of Newcastle, and Fawzia, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs R.D.W. King, of Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

Mr A. Kell and Miss A.F. King The engagement is announced

between Andrew, son of the late Mr E.C. Kell and of Mrs A. Kell,

and Miss L.M. Beacham The engagement is announced between Antony, youngest son of Mr and Mrs G.M. Macwhinnic, of Hong Kong, and Lindsey, only daughter of Mr and Mrs J.W. Beacham, of

Mr W.J.R. Wilson and Miss D.R. von Fleckenstein The engagement is announced between William Jeremy Rolls, son of Mr and Mrs Hal Wilson, of Winchester, Hampshire, and Darunee Ruth, elder daughter of Dr and Mrs Fritz von Fleckenstein, of Washington

West Byfleet, Surrey.

Appointments in the Forces

COMMANERS. P.S Booth - Invincible 5.788: J K Conder - Staff of CINCNA'HOME 5.788: A J M Hose - Charybda in Cmd 11.1088: C R Hunneybda - MOD Bath 5.988: C R Tuffley - MOD London 21.6.88: K J Tulfel - MOD London 6 5 68: SURGEON COMMANDER (D): B J

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COLONELS: A J K Calder - To HQ
AFNORTH. 25.4.88: S V Durn - To
SEME. 28.4.88: M G D Willis - To HQ
UKLF. 15.4.88: A B Atkinson - To be
Comd Cal HQ ACSUK. 29.4.88: J J
Bannister - To HQ DACC. 25.4.88. LIEUTENANT COLONELS: J C Aldous RRF - To MOD. 28 4 88: J A Anderson & CR - To RMAS, 27.4.88:

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Today's royal engagements

Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, Honorary Colonel, will open the new Regimental Head-quarters of the London Scottish in Horseferry Road at 7.15. The Prince of Wales, Patron of the English Chamber Orchestra and Music Society, will attend a gala performance given by the orchestra at the Barbican Centre at 7.20 in aid of the society.

The Princess of Wales will officially open the new Day Centre at St Helena's Hospice, Myland Hall, Barneroft Close, Colchester, at 10.40; and will visit the homes of the Essex

Frinton-on-Sea, at 12.15. The Princess Royal will open

Bishop's Castle Public Hall, Shropshire, at 11.45; Farm Gas's extended factory, Bishop's Castle, at noon; the new Centre for Gymnastics, Lilleshall National Sports Centre, Shropshire, at 1.05; and the Old Ben Homes, Lilleshall, at 3.45. Later, as Patron of the Every-man Theatre Association. accompanied by Captain Mark Phillips, will attend a gala evening at the Pump Room, Cheitenham, at 7.30.

Voluntary Association for the Blind at 19-21 The Esplanade. The Duke of Gloucester, President of the National Association of Boys' Clubs, will arrive at Coventry Station at noon and will visit boys' clubs in Warwickshire.

The Duchess of Kent, Patron of Age Concern England, will open a new Day Centre at Farncombe, Surrey, at 10.45. Prince Michael of Kent, President of the Council of the Soldiers', Sailors' and Airmen's Families Association, will visit the Royal Homes for Officers' Widows and Daughters, Queen Alexandra's Court, Wimbledon, 3.00.

Lincoln's Inn

Awards

Hardwicke Entrance Scholarship Hilary Term 1988

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D L Edwards Greterhouse, Cambridge), Miss W J T Guthrite (St
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Unit), R H H Roberts (Kent Unity,
Christ Church, Oxford), Miss K M
Strange (Christ Church, Oxford), A D
Wright (Mausfield, Oxford).

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Cambridge, Free Univ, Brussels). M R Holler (Trinity Hall. Cambridge). Miss S Barber (King's, Cambridge). R P Davern (Balliol, Oxford). N F Harrison (Brasenose, Oxford, City Univ). Miss Holler (Mercon).
Balliol. Oxford). Miss M da Cumba (London School of Exonomics). T P J Hill IJsus. Cambridge). W G Vandyck (Peterhouse, Cambridge).

Shipwrights' Company

The following have been installed as officers of the Shipwrights' Company for the ensuing year:
Prime Warden, Mr G. R. Newman; Renter Warden, Mr F. M. Everard; Second Warden, Dr E. C. B. Corlett; Third Warden, Mr R. A. H. Arnold; Fourth Warden, Mr D. I. Moor.

Appointments

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Latest appointments include: Mr Gavin N. B. Young to be a circuit judge on the North Eastern Circuit. Mr K. C. Meldrum to be Chief

Veterinary Officer, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, from June I, in succession to Mr

MR JIMMY BROWN Mr Jimmy Brown, the chairthe entire Silverstone estate,

man of Silverstone Circuits Limited, who died on April 19, aged 67, was the guiding hand behind the staging of 23 British Grands Prix and countless other motor races at Silverstone. When the RAC selected the

former wartime airfield for the reestablishment of Grand Prix motor racing in Britain in 1948, they persuaded James Wilson Brown, an enthusiastic young Scot, to leave his desk at a leading bloodstock house and run the event for

This was meant to be a temporary posting, but it lasted 40 years, in which time Jimmy Brown was effectively Silverstone", masterminding the track's evolution from its somewhat primitive beginnings into one of the most sophisticated and comprehensive motor racing

In 1952, when the British Racing Drivers' Club took panies, and Ian, who is a over the Silverstone lease, he member was appointed their track manager, and nine years later. when the club took control of racing team.

facilities in the world.

including the surrounding farmland, he was made a director of Green Crop Conservation and became responsible for the operation of the large arable and fatstock farm as well as the circuit. His directorship of

Silverstone Circuits Limited. the operating company for racing and allied activities, began in 1966, and four years later he was made responsible for the entire marketing operation, in which he oversaw a period of sustained development of the circuit's facilities. Appointed managing director the circuit company in 1974, as well as chief executive of the BRDC and its group of subsidiary companies, Brown developed an ever deeper affection for Silverstone.

He is survived by his wife. Kay, an indefatigable worker at Silverstone, and two sons. Hamish, who is managing director of the circuit comof Walkinshaw's TWR organization which runs the Jaguar

recorded by Crome and Cotman had been little

changed in the century since

they had left them. Davies set

about making fresh records

with gusto - moving to Nor-

But times were hard and he

lived frugally - surviving on a

small private income and

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who painted almost every day

(and many nights) until the

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Royal Academy between 1936 and 1967.

His gentle, romantic pic-

tures celebrated an ancient East Anglia bruised but un-broken by German bombers and by the later buildozers of

exact position of a well camouflaged enemy artillery battery after we had spotted it

while travelling by rail up the Italian coast from Reggio-Calabria to near Salerno. We

He was unmarried.

He exhibited annually at the

wich permanently in 1923.

MR ARTHUR DAVIES life. The Norwich landscapes

Arthur Davies, a prolific painter of the East Anglian landscape, died in Norwich on April 18, - shortly after a retrospective exhibition in his honour had opened at the city's Castle Museum. He was

An only child, Davies had wandered the unspoiled countryside of his native Cardiganshire. From a love of the landscape grew a desire to record it in pencil and paint. In 1911 he sold his first picture, of a Welsh coastal scene, for 10s 6d. A suspected heart problem

saved him from the First World War. Instead, he trained at the Metropolitan School of Art in Dublin, where he witnessed the 1916 Easter Rising (and was almost hit by a sniper's bullet). A visit to Norfolk, in 1918,

determined the course of his

CAPTAIN DAVID W. TAYLOR Dr Leslie Hill writes: years or so we collaborated sending messages back, including once reporting the I first met Captain David

progress.

Taylor, who died at his home in Pimperne, near Blandford, earlier this month, after we had both been captured by the Germans in November 1941. We were both in a POW cage in Libva. A regular officer barely out

of his teens, he had been taken with the rest of his troops during the Crusader offensive to relieve Tobruk

David introduced me to the War Office code, designed to prepare officers to communicate secretly with the WO in case of capture. During three

his meteoric business career with his equally swift rise in the firmament of the environmental movement.

Few in Britain in his generation matched serious expertise in a number of ecological fields with such heavyweight administrative and financial skills; the combination was immensely precious, most obviously to the World Wildlife

His monument in Britain,

did this by counting the railside kilometre stones. We also were able to report the beating up of Mr George Millar of Maquis and Horned Pigeon fame, after one of hisunsuccessful escape attempts, and we gave the name of the Italian commandant responsible so it could be added to a war criminals list

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MR TIMOTHY WALKER Mr William Waldegrave, MP. however, will perhaps be

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MARGEL CRICHTON MAITLAND On April 23rd, to Judy and Mark, a

MALET BE CANYENET - On April 21st, lo Judges (nie Ruddick) and Charles, a son. Alexander Martin.

MATTS - On April 25th, at Manor Farm, to Charlotte (nie Carety) and John. a dampler. Alicia Frances Michiganon. a tister for Alexandra

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PASSEE - On April 18th, to Philippa (pie Casimir-Wrowczynska) and Stephen, 3 son Tobias Adam Castosir.

gintingfon - On Thursday April 21st, in New York, to Glide and Michael, a daugmer.

STARSUCK - On April 22nd, to Carryine (Kay) and Stephen a daughter, Rachaet Louise.

MARRIAGES

CAMOODANSTEE On April 23rd 1988, in Scarborough, Yorishire. Richard Frederick, son of Mr and Mrs R B Cawood, to Linda Louise, eldest daughter of Mrs B L Johnson.

DEATHS

ADAM - On APRI 23rd, pescentity List Adam, aged 96. Our belove

ALPRIM - On April 24th, at peace in Metaphic, U.S.A., after a long times bravely horse. Suzame, much loved and missed by all her many triends in England. A Thanksgiving Service will be held in London at a later date.

BARKER - On April 25th, William Alan, Beloved husbund of Jean Trumpington and much loved father of Adam, Scholar of Roushil Schole and Jesus College. Cambridge, former Fetibw of Queens College. Cambridge, Assistant Master at Elon College, Headinaster of The Leys School (1958-75), and Headinaster of University College School (1976-82), Funeral private, Memorial Service later at The Leys School Chapel, Donathers, if wished, to The Royal Staff and Garter Home. Richmond, Survey.

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Margaret and much loved grandpapa
of Susannah, Charlotte and
Alegander, Funeral at Terting
Church, Sabrday, April 30th,
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Memorial Service to arranged at
Forton at a later date.

By Michael Hendrie

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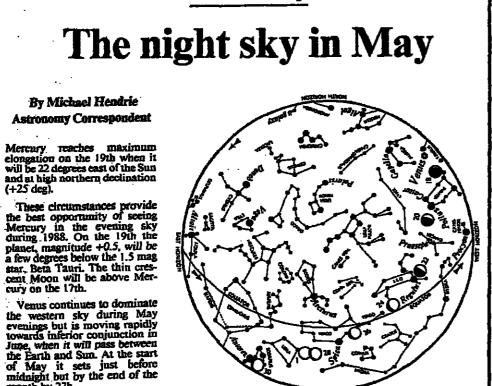
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Uranus is close to Saturn but too faint to be seen with the naked eye under normal

Neptune is several degrees east of Saturn and Uranus and follows them by half an hour but it is 2 magnitudes fainter than



The diagram shows the brighter stars that will be above the horizon in the belitude of London at 25h (11 pm) at the beginning, 22h (10 pm) in the middle, and 21h (9 pm) at the end of the month, local heath time. At places away from the Greenwich meridian the Greenwich times at which the diagram applies are later than the above by one hour for each 15 day wast of Greenwich and earlier by a like amount if the piace be east. The map should be turned at that the horizon the observer is facing tshown by the words around the circle! Is at the bottom. The zenth being at the centre. Greenwich Mean Time, known to astronomers as Universal Time and expressed in 24-nour notation, is used in the accompanying notes unless otherwise stated.

Moons in May this year: as the mean interval between like phases is 29.53 days (the Synodic month), two full Moons can occur if the first takes place the mean in the month of the fronth of the farth's surface, but for London, for example. As the distance of Venus from the Earth decreases during the month from 47 to 29 million miles, a corresponding increase takes place in the apparent size

Mars, still well south of the equator, rises between 02h and 01h, brightness increasing slowly to -0.2 mag by the end of month. The last quarter Moon passes less than a degree (two diameters) south of Mars on the morning of the 9th, closest approach after drawn. 03h4ym on the same cates. As the Sun moves north in spring, it rises and sets farther round the horizon towards the north. This alters both the time and duration of twilight. Three definitions of twilight are tabled in The Astronomical Almanac.

Civil Twilight begins when the Sun is 6 degrees below the horizon and ends at sunrise. In the evening it starts at sunset and ends when the Sun is again and ends when the Sun is again 6 degrees below the horizon. It corresponds in a practical way to the periods when outdoor activities are not unduly hampered by poor light.

In the same way Nautical Twilight ends when the Sun is

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The Moon: full, 1d24h: last quarter, 9d01h; new, 15d22h; first quarter, 23d17h; full

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Sunset on the 1st is at 19h24m but by the 31st at 20h07m while sunrise is from 04h32m to 03h49m on the same dates. As the Sun moves north in suring.

Twitight depend on one's location on the Earth's surface, but for London, for example. Astronomical Twitight lasts all night from mid-May until late July as the Sun does not reach 18 degrees below the horizon, even at midnight.

The interval between the end of Nautical Twilight on one evening and its beginning the next morning shrinks to three hours by mid-summer.

In calculating the times of sunrise, sunset and twilight, the Sun's half degree diameter must be taken into account, as must be taken into account, as must refraction by the Earth's at-mosphere which also reaches half a degree at the horizon. This has the effect of making the Sun (and stars) appear higher in the sky than they really are. So when the setting Sun appears to touch the horizon, it has in fact already art!

Twilight ends when the Sun is 12 degrees below the horizon and it is no longer possible to separate sea from sky for those taking sights at sea.

• Mr E. A. Beet, who was The Times Astronomy Correspondent from 1969 until March of this year, has retired. He monthly notes and of this year, has retired. He wrote the monthly notes and annual publication, The Night Sky. He also held several senior positions in the British Astronomical Association, being Section when the horizon and the sky held several senior positions in the British Astronomical Association, being Section and the sky held several senior positions in the British Astronomical Association, being Section 1051-1062. GALE - Andrew - A service of appreciation for the life of Andrew Gale, will be held at the Church of Saint Lawrence Jewry, Canadhau EC2, on Thursday May 5th at 4.30 REX - A Service for the Life and work

of Dr Derek Rix will be held on Thursday May 12th at 3.30 pm at St. Affans Abbey.

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Secretary 107-112, Leadenhall Street. London ECSA 4AE

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Dated this 16th day of April 1988
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A list of the names and addresses of the Company's Creditors will be available for impaction free of charge at 2-6 Shafes-bury Road. London, E7, between 10.00 and 4.00 pm as from Tuesday 3rd May 1988.

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Chief Nursing Officer/ Director of Consumer Affairs

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The Medway Health Authority is one of six Health Authorities in the beautiful County of Kent, "The Garden of England", surrounded by open countryside and areas of historic interest.

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The Chief Nursing Officer is the District professional head of nursing and as such is responsible for providing effective leadership and for ensuring that the training and future supply of nurses is kept to the forefront of management decision making. As Director of Consumer Affairs the post holder will act as auditor of standards in patient/client services.

The post holder will be a full member of the District Management Board, responsible to the District General Manager but with direct access to the District Health Authority on professional

The Chief Nursing Officer will be supported across the range of his/her duties by a staff officer.

The successful candidate will be an experienced manager used to working at senior officer level. He/she will have a thorough understanding of the current issues facing nursing and be aware of the future trends and possibilities in nurse training and

The post is based at District Headquarters. Medway Hospital.

For an informal discussion or visit, contact either the District General Manager, Mr. H. R. Higgins, or the present CNO, John Miller, on Medway (0634) 401334.

Job description and application form available from the District Personnel Officer, Medway Hospital, Windmill Road, Gillingham, Kent. Tel: Medway (0634) 401334. Ext. 249 Closing date for applications: 13th May 1988

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Application form and further details can be obtained from the County Secretary, County Hall, Chichester, PO19 1RQ. Telephone Chichester (0243) 777903 direct. Closing date: 31st May, 1988.

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The post will be based initially at The Manor House. Applications are sought from people appropriately qualified within the fields of education, social work or health who are enthusiastic, have the ability to work hard and who have proven managerial qualities and

Interviews will be held during the week beginning Monday 23rd May 1988. Applications, giving the usual details plus a short account of your philosophy of education and rehabilitation for multihandicapped coucauon and rehabilitation for multihandicapped children and adults, should be sent to The Director, Sesse, 311 Gray's Inn Road, London WC1X 8PT no later than 16th May. The post can be discussed in greater detail by telephoning Rodney Clark on 01-278 1005.

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NOTICE OF MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that the

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Audiology therapists

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patiently to giving a hearing to those with

ear troubles, and, says

Joan Llewelyn Owens, use skills that can call for

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ome hospital technicians work in the background, with little con-tact with patients. Audiology technicians, on the other hand, establish long-term rehabilitative relationships with patients, as do bearing therapists. There are, perhaps, 700 of the former and only 61 of the latter, so in

many hospitals audiology technicians provide the sort of counselling which is

the primary task of hearing therapists. The work does overlap to some extent, but there are several big differences. Audiology technicians measure and evaluate the hearing of both children and adults referred from clinical departments. For their tests they employ a variety of specialized equipment. If the clinician decides that a hearing aid is necessary, the technician determines the most suitable type, then makes im-pressions of the ear to ensure that the moulded ear insert fits comfortably.

Hearing therapists do not test hearing, fit hearing aids or deal with children. Adults who are experiencing difficulty in adjusting to a hearing loss may be referred to a therapist for further help.

Audiology technicians are members of a multi-disciplinary team, which may include ENT staff, nurses, social workers, audiological scientists, and therapists. They are employed mainly in hearing aid distribution centres and audiology units attached to hospitals. audiology units attached to hospitals.

Some technicians undertake audiometric screening tests of young children, either in schools or in school medical centres, while others work in audiology clinics attached to teaching hospitals, or in the field of industrial medicine. medicine. Some are to be found in the medical centre of an airport, doing hearing testing of staff exposed to

Wendy Rogers, chief audiology technician at the London Hospital, told me that the work of the technicians there was divided between the diagnostic and the hearing aid side. Their patients were mainly over the age of 50, though they did see children, some of whom had "glue ears." These children were tested to see how this condition could best be RHYMNEY VALLEY



relieved, by either medication or surgery

and the insertion of grommets. When someone paid a first visit, the technician would conduct an audiogram.

to establish the level of hearing. In the case of sensory-neural hearing loss, they undertook more detailed and complicated procedures to determine whether the lesion was in the inner ear or higher in the central nervous system. All the time they were providing information to help the clinical staff in

their diagnosis. Should, for example, a young adult be referred with otosclerosis, the results of the tests might indicate the need for a stapedectomy. In this opera-tion, the surgeon works with the aid of a microscope to remove the stapes, a very small bone, and replace it with a tefion

When the problem is chronic, patients might be referred to the technicians for hearing aids. Impressions of the ear are taken so that moulds can be made, and when the patient is issued with his aid, he is counselled how best to make use of it. After a month, the patient is seen routinely, and, when assistance is required, can attend open sessions held

"You need to be very patient and tolerant and express yourself very clearly", Mrs Rogers told me. "Some of the elderly can find it difficult to get the mould into the ear and you have to show them again and again. Group support is very helpful. If they agree, I like to have about three in a group, who can compare problems and realize they are not alone."

Mrs Rogers sees mainly older people.
Roger Wills, a senior chief audiology technician and chairman of the British.
Association of Audiology Technicians, works in the specialist paediatric audiology unit, established 30 years ago in the Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading. He has fitted hearing aids to children as has fitted hearing aids to children as young as three months. They take children far younger than audiology departments are accustomed to do because all babies admitted to the special care unit have two kinds of hearing test as a matter of course.

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Staged debate

On the pretext that next month the House of Commons is to debate the return of capital punishment, World In Action (ITV) gave us a teste of government on television. Using the Westminster set left over from Jeffrey Archer's First Among Equals and a selected hand of MPs, a debate was staged for the cameras and edited down to a form sufficiently coherent to be fit for prime time transmission. Heing a hopeless romantic, I had expected the Hon. Members to seize this opportunity to display

seize this opportunity to display their eloquetice; one or two were plainly inspired by the thought of

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an audience of millions to make

an america of militans to make some effort in this direction, but the overall standard of debate was pitifully low. Perhaps the mastery of our language is no longer even an aspiration for the modern politician.

Only Merlyn Rees spoke well.

He appeared to hold his colleagues

spellbound at the conclusion of the programme, with a performance which should win him a place in one of our national theatre com-

panies instantiy. Even he, how-ever, had nothing new to add.

Research appeared to be as out of fashion as eloquence. If there are new considerations and fresh

evidence to support a continuing

debate these are unknown to the

The philosophical perspectives of the topic were also ignored and the discussions proceeded at the

level of "my atrocity is worse than yours". The antis shouted "Timo-

thy Evans" every five minutes, while the pros countered with the

Bordy Barn murders. It was left to

two Irish members to discuss the

Any sixth form in the country could probably have bettered this performance but, feeble as it was, it seemed livelier and of more

consequence than many real Com-mons debates. Members behaved

better; no one put their feet up, picked their nose or fell asleep. Perhaps, if television were a

permanent fixture of government,

such improvements might extend

politicians taking part.

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hatever the ups and downs of the art market, there still seem to be an amazing number of new galleries opening every year (quite possibly balanced, it is true, by equally amazing numbers closing). The secret of survival, of course, is not only to open a new sallery but to let nearly know you new gallery, but to let people know you are there, get them interested, and lure them to come along at least once and look. The new galleries of London's Portobello area (along with some now not quite so new) have hit on a good way of doing this: they have taken to staging an annual festival.

As festivals go, the Portobello Art Festival is not much to write home about. A four-day happening, it is by now all over anyway. But its constituent parts live on for the next two or three weeks. Maybe the silver balloons will have gone, but the special shows in the most of the dozen or so galleries concerned go on until May 21, and when you come down to it the shows are the festival.

So why not call it a festival month?

Partly, no doubt, that doing so might imply somehow that nothing comparable happened during the rest of the year which of course is far from the truth, all of the galleries concerned being professional enterprises with year-round programmes.

More important, four weeks do not

seem as dramatic as four days: the festival serves as a focus, artificial perhaps, but effective, bringing in many more people than the year-round programmes of hard slog ever do. So, the Portobello Art Festival is a PR

exercise. Obviously it worked last year, and so has justified its existence this. But what of the material being boosted? Has Celia Brayfield the network of streets round the Portobello Road become a must for

Still and precise: Tommy Smith

Smith's tone now has the still,

precise quality of a Jan Garbarek. If he has perhaps not yet shaken off the "Berklee clone" tag, he at

He will take a further step

forward later this year when he records an album for the Blue

Note label, now part of the EMI empire. The final line-up is still to

be confirmed, but among those

definitely taking part are the drummer Jack Delohnette and

the guitarist John Scofield. With

players of that calibre alongside

him, Smith hopes the album will

give him enough clout to take

With his shrewd business sense

and his talk of career tactics, it

comes as no surprise to learn that

he is already represented by a high-powered firm of US East

Coast lawyers. He is equally hardheaded about his musical

accomplishments, particularly the records he made in his late teens:

To be honest, I would rather not have made those albums. They were a record of develop-

ment rather than a musical state-

ment that could last. Obviously,

I'm still developing now, but not

so quickly. For example, I re-corded a demo tape last October,

and I'm still happy with it - which is a good sign. But when I hear

some of the stuff I played when I was 17, I think 'Ughh!'

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Forward Motion on tour.

least has time on his side.

Portobello pick



Monumental heroic figures of myth or history: Alison Lambert's "Ostilianus" is on show at the Creaser Gallery, Portobello

London art-lovers? The answer to that is,

I think, a resounding yes.

The overall quality this year seems superior to last year's sampling, and there are obviously yet more, newer galleries fighting to get into the act. The newest, in fact, England and Co, at 14 Needham Road, opened its doors only days before the festival itself, and so was too late to qualify for more than a friendly nod from

However, if it continues to put on shows as interesting as its first, a

retrospective devoted to the work of Sir Francis Rose (until May 12), it will surely be around for full acceptance into the clan next year. Sir Francis, though clearly a ripe example of the English aristocratic eccentric, friend of everyone from Picasso to Cecil Beaton and Gertrude Stein to Ernst Röhm, was also an unexpectedly serious and technically adventurous artist, well worth rediscovering nearly a decade after his death.

Of the slightly longer-established galleries, the pick of the crop this year seem

to be Anatol Orient, which specializes in ceramics of all kinds, though mainly more sculptural than functional, and the Special Photographers Company, which, perhaps needless to say, specializes in special photographs.

The show at Anatol Orient, devoted primarily to Sara Radstone, includes the winner of the Unilever Prize for the most meritorious work in the festival, a pot called simply "Vessel No 15". Nearly all the works in the show are vessels of some sort, but any connections with the sort of

pot in which you would place flowers or

sangria are strictly coincidental.

These are strange, humpy, irregular forms, created by an artist who is evidently fascinated with the textural possibilities of clay laboriously built up and intricately glazed.

The photographs in the Special Photographers' On the Border show (until May 28) are special and "on the border" in the sense that they explore that hazy area between photography and painting which has been attracting increased attention on both sides of the fence of late. The exhibits are all in some way manipulated photographs.

Sometimes, as in the work of Calum Colvin, about which I was writing recently in another context, the manipulation is all in front of the camera: what we see is a photograph of an installation, though the installation makes sense only in terms of the photograph taken of it.

In the work of John Reuter, on the other hand, though at a glance it looks deceptively similar, the results are obtained by tearing the backing off a large Polaroid while it is developing, reapplying it to paper, and then painting on top or combining different images, so that real people and Old Master paintings seem to join in some kind of unholy alliance. Others again are relatively straightforward, manipulated only by the application of tinting, or by turning up on stone or wood rather than paper.

nd then there are the more straightforward shows. I particularly liked the huge black-andwhite charcoal drawings by Alison Lambert at the Creaser Gallery (the paintings are perhaps less impressive): she has a real gift for creating images at once monumental and mysterious. These giant heads and figures of horsemen seem to belong to some heroic, semi-mythical past, but with a powerful physicality which prevents them from looking like mere neo-classical pastiche.

The paintings of Stephen Chambers just a few doors along at the Todd Gallery are slightly more puzzling; we appear to be invited into a world of private myth, as cute and as sinister as a fairy-story. The technique in which these works are painted, a sort of knowing/naive mixture of the fudged and the finicky, may not, however, be to everybody's taste.

Most of the artists featured are homegrown - even Mario Rossi, one of those Italian Scots whose large-scale drawings on canvas (mostly), already familiar far outside the Portobello context, are on impressive display at Anderson O'Day. Vanessa Devereux looks as far afield as Barcelona for her artist, Pep Duran Esteva. He makes funny sculptures out of scrap material, faces and figures and clocks and chairs, and if something which might belong is there, it is usually, like the loose cabriole legs, applied to quite the

John Russell Taylor

Clive Davis meets Tommy Smith, a young Scottish saxophone player whose US success

is now being acknowledged at home

Four years after he crossed the Atlantic to Boston at the age of 16, Tommy Smith is the first to admit that he is rapidly acquiring an American persona. The changes are evident in his accent - a mixture of Edinburgh and New England - and his admiration for

American efficiency. Ask him what he likes about his adopted country, and he fires off a list ranging from department stores to banks, hotels and the postal system. Above all, there is, he says, the challenge of compet-ing against top-flight musicians: There are players over there who can blow away any of the musicians in this country - including me. And they're not even famous, because there are so many of

The saxophonist's progress so far will be celebrated next week in a series of Scottish concerts celebrating his 21st birthday. The main event takes place in Edinburgh tonight when he will give a triple recital: first a duet with the US vibraphone player, Gary Burton; followed by a quartet session with a band which includes the 18year old British pianist Jason Rebello. The third, and most adventurous part of the programme will be the première of a specially commissioned piece for the quartet, strings and brass.

Also tonight, Smith will be the subject of a 50-minute BBC Scotland TV documentary, Tommy Smith: The Beginning, to be screened across the rest of the country later this year. BBC Scotland will also be screening a recording of the Edinburgh con-cert on Thursday. All together it is an impressive amount of coverage for a player who has concentrated on building his reputation abroad. Smith was raised on a council estate in Edinburgh "about 20

minutes' bus-ride" from the city centre. He took up the saxophone at the age of 12, and with encouragement from his father -a drummer - began to play with a local Dixieland band: one scene in the BBC documentary shows him re-united with those musicians in a version of "I Got Rhythm". By the time he was 15 Smith was

ready for his TV debut, alongside Niels-Henning Orsted Pedersen, bassist with the Oscar Peterson Trio. The next stop was Berklee School in Boston, where he was awarded a scholarship and where he put together his multi-national band Forward Motion, which has remained the principal outlet for

his own compositions. By 1986 he was also a member of the Gary Burton group. When he left Burton last summer, he eventually decided to settle in Boston rather than return to Britain: "If I lived here, I think I'd get a little lazy, because there wouldn't be the same incentive to

After passing through the apparently obligatory Coltrane phase,



1988 Stefan Zweig series of conlectures and exhibitions related to the British Library's Zweig Collection, this was a gem. nst Graham Johnson

had devised for the Songmakers' Almanac a moving sequence of readings and music under the same title as Zweig's auto-biography: The World of Yesterday, and calling on the writer's own opinions expressed there.

And cleverly, while it painted the principal pains and joys of

Zweig's reflections - on internationalism, on war, on Viennese life, on being a refugee - the first half also charted the development of the Austro-German lied. A development, as Johnson noted, that runs from the innocence of Mozart's Singspiel to the expressive and psychological intensity of Berg and Schoenberg.

Thus, after Sarah Walker's sublime, introductory performance of Mahler's Urlicht, Anthony Rolfe-Johnson took us to the world of

Kantamanto Almeida Theatre

For the next week or so, Percussion '88, a festival designed to promote the richly varied repertoire of music made through the process of this made through the process of hitting things, and presented by the Percession Foundation, is happening simultaneously in Cardiff, Bristol and London.

The opening London concert brought the group Kantamanto from Moss Side, Manchester. Their music is steeped in the traditions of Africa and more particularly Ghana, but, thanks to the studies in America of its leader, Kwasi Asare, it contains also elements of improvisation familiar from the jazz world. Yet above all it is dominated by its predilection for or obsession with pulse-patterns, formulated from the encouragement of Kwasi
Asare's own incipits, and it is this
which lends the music its hypnotic
quality, at least for many in this

Mozart's Masonic Cantata K619, a world of ideals, optimism and eventually reached Schoenberg's nightmare world in "Der verlörene Haufen" of 1907, a tale of patriotic fervour and zest relating chillingly by Richard Jackson.

Between, there was Mendelssohn's duet of innocent girls, "Ich wollt meine Liebe ergosse sich" (Walker and Patricia Rozario). Schumann's urgent "Sehnsucht" (Jackson), Strauss's lovely "Befreit" (Walker), Berg's Rilke Set-ting, "Traumgekront" (Rozario) and more besides.

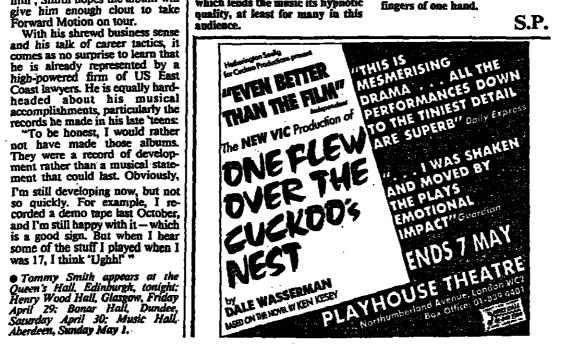
The music of the second half was governed more by the emotional content of the reading. delivered by Gabriel Woolf as eloquently as they had been written, than by any direct connection with Zweig.

Stephen Pettitt

The pieces that Kantamanto performed were shorter and more friendly than some of the sanitized derivatives offered by such figures attractive part of Kantamanto's highly polished, disciplined per-formance is the dancing, executed expressively by a young woman and an extremely lithe young man, who also introduces the group with

a disarming shyness.

There is considerable dignity in the way the group presents their music, on a wide selection of drams and cowbells, and with some beautifully subtle, folkish singing. But, though it is important that such culture should be preserved wherever those who are part of it happen to live, and though it is enlightening for anyone not familair with it to witness it, an uncomfortable spirit of colonial-ism still pervades this occasion. It was nobody's fault, but sadly one could have counted the number of black faces in the audience on the fingers of one hand.



Dispassionate display

Curious to begin a serious-minded concert with the overture to Die Fledermaus: perhaps it was appropriate that this was a rather serious-minded performance, with the minimum of excitement, silver and frivolity. But then we moved to another, if still Viennese, world.

Radu Lupu, as soloist in Mozart's C major piano concerto K.503, was at his subtle finest, playing with a crisp delicacy: one might have described this as a chamber-musical performance if it had been more responsively accompanied by the orchestral soloists, but Lupu's way with the cantabile episode in the finale, for instance, found the oboe and the

flute quite at a loss. Still, there was plenty of interest and pleasure in the solo perfor-mance. Lupu showed all his

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trapeze-artist skill in swinging from the end of one phrase to the beginning of the next, sometimes with surprising effects on phrase

That was especially the case at the start of the last movement, which seemed to lift this account from a certain tentativeness into full achievement, with all the sophistication now done with supreme but quiet confidence. In the first movement, Lupu chose Murray Perahia's cadenza: not at all believably Mozart's, but a piece of polished beauty, performed here as a homage to a colleague.

Bernard Haitink and the London Philharmonic Orchestra waited until Mahler's First Sym-

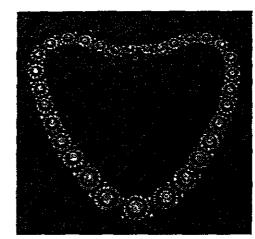
phony for their hour of glory. An annoying lack of synchronization among the wind was quickly overcome, and the performance

went forward with great strength.
Perhaps the finale, which so easily seems to go through the same motions twice, could have done with more tension, but in general Hartink's manner was not the enemy of character.

In other cases, and very often, the colourful effect proved to come from careful attention to markings, especially staccato dots. And hecause the same style was kept for the same idea (except for welcome variations in immediate repeats), the score's density of cross-reference stood revealed with unusual clarity. This was Mahler dispassionately laid bare.

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CRY FREEDOM (PG): Richard Attenborough's bumper bundle of exciting spectacle and liberal sentiments; with Kevin Kline as journalist Donald Woods, drawn into the case of South African activist Steve Biko (Denzel Washington) (158 min). £ Empire Leicester Square (01-200 0200). Progs 12.05, 2.25, 4.45, 7.10, a an

■ EMPIRE OF THE SUN (PG): J G Ballard's autobiographical novel about a British child in Shanghal caught by the invading Japanese in the Second World War; filmed by Steven Spielberg with great panache. With Christian Bale, John Malkovich and Nigel Havers (153

Cannon Bayswater (01-229 4149). Progs 1.05, 4.15, 7.40. Cannon Edgware Road (01-723 5901). Progs 1.15, 4.30, 7.50. 2 Cannon Fulhers Bo & Cannon Fulhern Road (01-370 2636). Progs 1.45, 5.10, 8.40. Cannon Shaftesbury Avenue (01-836 8861). Progs 1.10, 4.35, 7.55.

A FLAME IN MY HEART (18): Alam Tanner's lugubrious drama, shot in black-and-white, very much a showcase for its star and co-writer Myriam Mezires – cast as an actress whose life disintegrates through her obsession with physical love (112 min).
Cannon Piccadilly (01-437 3561). Progs 1.00, 3.25, 5.50, 8.15.

I'VE HEARD THE MERMAIOS SINGING (15): Whimsy rules the roost in this feminist comedy from Canada abut a scatterbrained secretary (Shella McCarthy) bemused by her new job in an art gallery. Written and directed by Patricia Rozema (87 min). 2: Screen on Baker Street (01-935 2772). Progs 3.35, 5.20, 7.15, 9.10.

■ NUTS (18): High Society whore Claudia Draper kills a client in self-defence. Is she sane enough to stand trial? With Barbra Stressand and Richard Dreyfuss (116 mins).

2: Warner West End (01-439 0791).

Progs 1.00, 3.30, 6.00, 8.30.

STAKEOUT (15): Synthetic but spirited comedy-thriller with a dash of romance. Richard Dreyfuss and Emilio Estevez play wisecracking Seattle cops

WORD-WATCHING Answers from page 24

RICKET (c) Low criminal and footballer's slang for a cock-up, as it were an own goal, since the Thirties, and still going strong.

HUMICUBATION

(a) Lying on the ground in penitence or deference to a superior, from the Latin humas the ground + cubo l lie down on it. PARVIS

(b) A courtyard, specifically of church: also a *brouhaha* or public disputation, because that is where the disputing classes went to it; ultimately from Paradise.

IRIDOLOGY
(2) A kind of absurd diagnosis, based on the belief that illness in any part of the body is reflected by marks on a part of the iris thought to correspond with that part of the body; do not believe it. on a routine stakeout; Madeline Stowe is the ex-con's girthiend involved with Dreyfuss. John Badham directs (117

a Warner West End (01-439 0791). Progs 12-55, 3.25, 5.55, 8.30. Odeon Swiss Cottage (01-722 5905). Progs 8.30, 1.10, 3.35, 6.00, 8.30.

BI WITHNAIL AND I (15): Knockabout British comedy about two out-of-work British actors trying to maintain sanity at the end of the Sixties. Written and directed by Bruce Robinson; with Paul McGann and Richard E Grant (107 min). 32 Warner West End (01-439 0791). Progs 1.55, 4.10, 6.25, 8.45. Odeon Kensingson (01-602 6844). Progs 1.0, 3.31, 5.50, 8.30. Odeon Kensington (01-602 6644). Progs 1.00, 3.30, 5.50, 8.30.

THEATRE

LONDON

A ALPHA BETA: George Costigan and Gillian Brown as the unforgiving married couple shredding and shedding each other in Ted Whitehead's drama.

Man in The Moon, 392 King's Fload SW3 (01-351 2876). Tube: Sloane Square, then bus down the Kings Road. Previews from tonight, Tues-Sat 7.30-9.30pm. Opens May 5, 7-9pm, then as belore, £4.

☆ BLUES IN THE NIGHT: Hit black A BLUES IN THE NIGHT: Hit black blues show, with Carol Woods, Sarah Woollett, Helen Gelzer and Peter Straker singing their hearts out in a sleazy Chicago hotel.
Piccadilly Theatre, Denman Street, W1 (01-437 4508). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Thurs B-10pm, Fri and Sat 6.30-8pm and 9-11pm, £8.50-£14.50. (D)

☆ CUTTING EDGE: Adaptation of Girboyedov's "Woe from Wit", one of the great satires of the Russian theatre (and the sarilest, 1830).
Pentameters, Three Horseshoes Public House, Heath Street NW3 (01-435 677). Tube: Hampstead. Wed-Sun 8-9,45nm \$3.50

9.45pm, £3.50. 4- DOCTOR FAUSTUS: Stephen Jenn plots to capture Peter Guiriness's soul in Marlowe's version of the legend. Young Vic Theatre, 66 The Cut SE1 (01-928 6363). Previews until Thurs 7.30pm, mats Wed and Thurs 2pm. Opens April 29, 7pm, then Tues-Thurs 7.30pm, mats Wed, Thurs and Fri 2pm, £7.50.

★ LETTICE AND LOVAGE: Maggie
Smith and Margaret Tyzack waging
eccentric war against the modern world
in Peter Shaffer's new cornedy.
Globe Theatre, Shaffesbury Avenue,
W1 (01-437 3667). Tube: Piccadiliy
Circus. Mon-Sat, 7.45-10.15pm, mat Sat
3-5.30pm, £7.50-£15, (D)

❖ SORE THROATS: Rough stuff and rough stuffing in the second of Howard Brenton's "Three Plays for Utopia". Theatre Upstairs, Royal Count Theatre, Sicane Square SW1 (01-730 1745). Tube: Sicane Square. Mon-Sat 7.30pm, ₹4-58.

★ TEECHERS: See caption. Arts Theatre, Great Newport Street WC2 (01-836 3334). Tube: Leicester Square. Preview tonight, 8-10pm. Opens April 27 7-9pm. Then Mon-Thurs 8-10pm, Fri and Sat 9-11pm, Early performances on Fri and Sat 6.30-8.30pm, £3.25-£5.



Gillian Tompkins and Shirley-Anne Selby (above) form part of the successful Hull Truck Theatre Company, whose production of Teechers previews at the Arts Theatre tonight (see listing). Between them, the two girls and Paul Rider play the parts of eight teachers and 1,500 pupils in a special priority Comprehensive School. Written and directed by John Godber, a former dran teacher and writer for Grange Hill, the play was premiered at last years Edinburgh Festival and was subsequently chosen for the Perrier Pick of the Fringe.



★ ZIEGFELD: Spectacular musical based on the life of the man who made the famous Follies, and costing a bomb. With Len Carlou, Geoffrey Hutchins and

Louise Gold. London Pelledium, 8 Argyll Street, W1 (01-437 7373), Tube: Oxford Circus. Opens tonight 7.30-10.15pm, then Mon-Sat 7.30-10.15pm, mats Wed and Sat 2.45-5.30pm, £4.50-£12.

LONG RUNNERS:

Beyond
Reasonable Doubt: Queens Theatre
(01-734 1166)...

The Business of
Murder: Mayfair Theatre (01-629
3036)...

Cats: New London Theatre
(01-405 0072, cc 01-404 4079)...

Chess: Prince Edward Theatre (01734 8951)...

Follies: Shaftesbury
Theatre (01-836 5399)...

42nd
Street: Drury Lane Theatre (01-836
8108/9/0)...

Kiss Me Kate: Savoy
Theatre (01-836 8888)...

Les
Listsons Dangereuses: Ambassadors
Theatre (01-836 6111, cc 01-836
1171)...

Me and My Girt Adelphi
Theatre (01-240 7913/4)...

Les
Misérables: Palace Theetre (01-434
0909)...

The Mousetrap: St Martin's
Theatre (01-836 1443)...

Phantom
of the Opera: Her Majesty's Theatre
(01-836 3028)...

Serious Money: Wyndhams Theatre
(01-836 3028)...

Apollo Victoria (01-826 8665)...

And Theatre (01-836 5122).

OUT OF TOWN

LEEDS: & Jane Eyre: Wendy Nottingham and David Gwillim In intriguing new adaptation by Fay Weldon. Playhouse, Calverly Street (0532 442111), Mon and Tues 8pm, Wed-Sat 7.30pm, £4.50-£6.

LUTON: ☆ The Aspern Papers: Empty of the Henry James tale of deceit in Venice. Library Theatre, St George Square (0582 21628), tonight and tomorrow

CONCERTS

LUNCHTIME

* STINTON'S STAND: Jennifer Stinton, flute, plays sonatas by Vivaldi and Mozart, Burton's Sonatina, Batton's Passacaille, Gaubert's Nocturne and Allegro Scherzando. Scott Michell is at the piano. Bishopsgate Hall, 230 Bishopsgate, London EC2 (01-247 6844), 1.05-1.50pm, £1.50.

A HEAR HAGEGARD: Hakan

THEAN HAGEGAND: HAXAN
Hagegard, baritone, sings Schubert's
Winterreise cycle with Geoffrey Parson
accompanying. This is part of the End
Games series.
Queen Elizabeth Half, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, cc 01-928 8800), 1.10pm, £3.

EVENING

☆ FROM HERTS: Hertfordshire Chamber Orchestra is conducted by David Drummond in Berlioz's Nuits d'été, Kodály's Summer Evening, Abramsen's Nacht und Trompeten and Beethoven's Symphony No 8. St John's, Smith Square, London SW1 (01-222 1561) 7 30pm 92-6 (01-222 1061), 7.30pm, £3-£5.

★ FOUR-HANDED PHILHARMONIC: At one and two pianos, Jocelyn Abbott and Richard Mapp celebrate their partnership's 10th anniversary by iuxtaposing Schubert's Fantasy D 940, Saint-Saëns's Carnaval des animaux, Debussy's Epigraphes antiques, Ravel's Rhapsodie espagnole. Wigmore Hall, 36 Wigmore St. London W1 (01-935 2141), 7.30pm, £2.50-£5.

☆ FROM THE CENTRE: Conducted by A FROM THE CENTRE: Conducted by William Boughton, the National Centre for Orchestral Studies Symphony Orchestra present Janacek's Orchestral Rhapsody Taras Butba, Elgar's Sea Pictures (Flona Kimm, mezzo) and Holst's The Planets.

Greenwich Borough Hall, Royal Hill, London SE10, 7.30pm £1.50.

★ GALA ECO: In the presence of The Prince of Wales, the ECO is conducted by Jeffrey Tate in Haydn's Symptomy No 99, Rossini's Barbieri di Siviglia Overture, and Heather Harper (soprano) sings Mozart's Ch'io mi scordi de te K 505, Mitsuko Uchida solos in his Plano Concertin K 503. Concern K 503.

Barbican Centre, Sik St. London EC2 (01-628 8795, cc 01-638 8891), 7.45-

9.45pm, £3-£11. **☆ ARCTIC PARSONS: Janet** Sherbourne and Mark Lockett perform Michael Parsons's Arctic Instrumental Music as well as places of their own for hiusic as well as pieces of their own to piano, voice, electric keyboards. British Music Information Centre, 10 Stratford Place, London W1 (01-499 8567), 7.30pm, free.

ROCK

Clive Davis

Rocking

with

Rollins

The jazz segment of the South

Bank's "End Games" season be-

gins tonight with a concert by

Sonny Rollins (left), one of the

most influential and durable of

modern saxophonists. After early

work in belop groups, Rollins took his place in the front line of

improvisers with the album Saxo-

He later gave up public perfor-

mances for two years to re-assess

his playing. Since the early 1970s

he has dismayed some followers by

using rock-influenced rhythm sec-

tions and pop themes - who else

would tackle a melody as simple as

Stevie Wonder's "Isn't She Lovely"? He shares the bill to-

night with Stan Tracey's rancoas big band. The End Games jazz

recitals continue on May 5 with a

tribute to the late Gil Evans,

followed on June 3 by a perfor-

mance of Ornette Coleman's Skies

Of America. Rollins himself moves

on to Edinburgh on Thursday, appearing at the Usher Hall, Lothian Road (031 228 1155).

Tonight, Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191),

8.30pm, £5-£15.

ione Colossus, released in 1957.

★ WAS (NOT WAS): Out come the "Walk the Dinosaur" freeks with their impeccable rock/soul crossover revue. Ritz, Whitworth Street West, Manchester (061 236 2555), 7.30pm,

* RUSH: Heavy Canadian technoriasners. SECC, Finnieston Street, Glasgow (041

248 3000) 7.30pm, £10. **☆ MARTIN STEPHENSON AND THE** DAINTEES/MELISSA ETHERIDGE: Whimsical Geordie pop group supported by the Little-Miss-Dynamits

singer Etheridge, who was featured on Island Records' televized 25th anniversary party. Newcastle City Half, Northumberland Road (091 261 2606), 7.30pm, £5.

JAZZ

☆ TOMMY SMITH: The Scottish tenorist celebrates his 21st birthday with a triple concert — a duet with vibist Gary Burton, a session with a quartet including planist Jason Rebello, and the premiere of a piece for quartet, strings and brass. Queen's Hall, Clerk Street, Edinburgh (031 668 2019), 8pm, £5.

☆ JAMES MOODY: His recent RCA abum Something Special showed that his horn-playing is as mellow as ever. Sandra King is the vocalist. Romale Scott's Club, 47 Frith Street, London W1 (01-439 0747), 9.30pm, 28

☆ HUMPHREY LYTTELTON: In his 40th year as a bandleader. Bull's Head, 373 Lonsdale Road, London SW13 (01-876 5241),

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can serve up some bristing hard bop. The Leadmill, 6/7 Leadmill Road. Sheffield (0742 754500), 8pm, \$4.

OPERA

☆ SALOME: Penultimate performance of Sir Peter Hall's fine new production for the Royal Opera, with Maria Ewing in the title role. Covent Garden, London, WC2 (01-249 1066), 8-9-45pm, £2-£55.

⇒ SALOME: Weish National Opera's version, directed perceptively by André Engel, now on tour with Stephanie Sundane in the title role.

Mayflower Theatre, Southampton (0703 229771), 7.15-8.45pm, £6.50-£20.

* THE MAGIC FLUTE: Doves fly and * THE MAGE PLOTE DOVEN IN AN AND START STA

★ THEODORA: Concert performance of range of the London personnaire of the London Handel Festival. Denys Dartowe conducts a cast led by Nancy Argenta and Michael Chance.

Queen Elizabeth Hall, South Bank, London, SEI (01-928 3191), 7-10.15pm, 54-511.

DANCE

☆ A SIMPLE MAN: Lynn Seymour and Christopher Geble star in Northern Ballet Theatre's production about L S Lowry's fife and work. Sadler's Wells Theatre, Rosebery Avenue, London EC1 (01-278 8916), 7.30-9.45pm, £3.50-£15.

★ SWAN LAKE: Natalia Makarova's production for London Festival Ballet. Apollo Theatre, George Street, Oxford (0865 244554), 7.30-10pm, £5-£12.

* LA SYLPHIDE: London City Ballet's production of the 19th-century romantic Forum Theatre, Town Centre, Billingham (0642 552663) 7.30-9.45pm, 26.

☆ SEPTET: Rambert Dance Company's production of Merse Curningham's work to Satie music, with pieces by Richard Alston and Slobhan Davies.

Royal Northern College of Music, Oxford Road, Manchester (06) 273 4504) 7.45-10pm, 26-28.

GALLERIES

ALAN DAVIE: Weirdly symbolic ADAIN DAVIE Hearty symbolic paintings called Magic Fountains. Gimpel Fils, 30 Davies Street, London W1 (02-493 2488), Mon-Fri 9-30am-5-30pm, Sat 10am-1pm, free, until

CAROLINE BULLOCK: Recent figurative paintings comprise this artist's first London exhibition. Grabowski Gallery Two, 84 Sloene Avenue, London SW3 (01-589 4657), Mon-Sat 11am-11pm, free, until May 28.

ANNA ROWE: 30 recent still life paintings of household utensils. Gatlery 47, 47 Great Russell Street, London W1 (01-639 2620), Mon-Set 9.30am-5.30pm, free, until May 6.

WAR ARTISTS' GALLERY: The open of a permanent gallery to house work by official war artists such as Paul Nash and Eric Kennington.
Royal Air Force Museum, Hendon,
London NW9 (01-205 2266), Mon-Set
10am-6pm, Sun 2-6pm, £3, until July 29.

KEITH McINTYRE: Mythical and symbolic paintings and drawings by a young star of Scottish art. Haab Callery, 29 Chapel Street, London SWI (01-245 9521), Mon-Fri 10.30am-7pm, Sat 11am-5pm, free, until May 28.

RALPH FREEMAN: Paintings abstracted from landscape.
Louise Hallett Gallery, 27 Junction
Mews, Sale Place, London W2 (01-724
9865), Tues-Sat 11am-7pm, free, until

TURINER'S ILLUSTRATIONS: Small watercolours made to illustrate an 1837 edition of *The Poetical Works of* National Gallery of Scotland, The Mound, Edinburgh (031 556 8921), Mon-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 2-5pm, free, until

TURNER AND ARCHITECTURE: A

TURNER AND ARCHITECTURE: A theme show trawled from the extensive Turner Bequest focusing on the landscape painter's architectural draughtsmanship.
Tate Gallery, Milibenk, London SW1 (01-821 7128), Mon-Sat 10am-5.50pm, Sun 2-5.50pm free, until July 10.

RICHARD HAMILTON: Four installations and a series of drawings based on Joyce's *Ulysses* by the former pop

The Fruitmarket Gallery, 29 Market Street, Edinburgh (031 225 2383), Tues-Sat 10am-5.30pm, Sun 1.30-5.30pm, free, until May 1.

RICHARD REDGRAVE (1804-1888): Paintings and drawings by an artist, teacher and highly influential

TALKS

THE MYTHOLOGY OF VAN GOGH: Gallery talk by Colin Wiggins.
The National Gallery, Room 45,
Trafagar SQuare, London WC2 (01-839 3321), 1pm, free.

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TAPES!

WALKS

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF SHERLOCK HOLMES: meet Baker Street tube, 11.30am, £3 (also next Tues).

inside Legal London; meet Temple tube, 2.30pm, 23 (also next Tues). GHOSTS, GHOULS AND HAUNTED TAVERNS: meet St Paul's tube, 7pm, £3

LUNDENWIC -- IN SEARCH OF DARK AGE LONDON: meat Museum of London, 2.30pm, £3 (also May 5).

(also next Tues).

OTHER EVENTS

TWO DAY SALE OF SPORTING GUNS, ARMS, ARMOUR AND MILITARIA: A
14th century crusading knight's sword
and a 12 bore sporting gun built by J
Purdey and Sons in 1881 for Earl de Grey, considered the greatest shot of the Edwardian era, are among the highly collectable items in today's sale. Sotheby's, 34 & 35 New Bond Street, London W1 (01-493 8080), 11am and

Brook discusses his career in the theatre and signs copies of his book The Shifting Point 40 Years of Theatreal Exploration.
Lytteiton Stage, The National Theatre, South Bank, SE1 (91-928 2252), 6pm, 52. NT PLATFORM PERFORMANCE: Peter:

ROYAL OVER-SEAS SEMI-FINALS: Opportunity to hear young musicians in the competition. Tonight, the keyboard Over-seas House, Park Place, St

James's Street, London SW1 (01-408 0214), 7pm, £2. MADE IN LONDON SERIES: Tonight's make in London Series: (origin's film, made in 1932, is *Dance Pretty Lady*, Anthony Asquith's adaptation of Compton Mackenzie's novel *Carnival*.

Maseum of London, London Wall, London EC2 (01-600 3699), 5.10pm, et 50

STEFAN ZWEIG SERIES: To celebrate

T S Biot's centenary, Gerard Benson and Cicely Herbert read from The Waste Land. Seminar Room, King's Library, British Library, Great Russett Street, London WC1 (01-636 1544), 1.10pm, free

BOOKINGS

FIRST CHANCE

NATIONAL FILM THEATRE: Personal/ phone booking opens today for May with seasons on Robert Towne, Irving Berlin, Shyam Benegal, Yasujiro Ozu, and Ingrid Bergman. Also London International Opera Festival, Australia 200 Years On, and End Games series. National Film Theatre, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3232).

RUSSELL OF THE TIMES: One-man RUSSELL OF THE TIMES: One-man show based on diaries and despatches of the first war correspondent, William Russell, who reported for The Times for almost 30 years, including the Indian Mutiny, the Charge of the Light Brigade, and the Franco-Prussian War. May 13-14 at Riverside Studios, then touring. Riverside Studios, Crisp Road. Hammersmith, London W6 (01-741 2251). Details of other venues: National Theatre, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 2033).

SANSKRITIK: 18th festival of Arts of India, with classical and traditional music and dance from various regions. June. Advance booking open, general booking from May 3-4. Queen Elizabeth Hall and Purcell Room, South Bank, London SE1. (01-928 3191, cc 01-928 8800).

LAST CHANCE

SHIRLEY VALENTINE; Final performances in the West End of Willy Russell play starring Pauline Collins, directed by Simon Callow, Ends Set. Vaudeville, Strand, London WC2 (01-929 0007/5645) 836 9987/5645).

ART MART: Selection of works by local artists, available for loan or purchase. Ends Sat. Central Library Gallery, 2 Fieldway Crescent, London N5 (01-609 305)

HANS HOFFMAN: About 30 late paintings of founding father of American Abstraction, Until Sun. Tate Gallery, Milibank, London SW1 (01-821 1313).

Theatre: Jeremy Kingston; Films: Geoff Brown; Concerts: Max Harrison; Opera: Hilary Finch; Rock: David Sinclair, Jazz: Clive Davis; Dance: John Percival; Galleries: David Lee; Walks and Talks: Greta Carslaw; Other Events: Judy Froshaug, Bookings: Anne

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9.00 Nine O'Clock News with
Martyn Lewis and Molra Stuart,
Regional news and weather

9.30 Talking Heads: A Lady of
Letters, starring Patricia
Routledge as Miss Ruddock, a
spinster living alone whose hobby
is writing letters to people in

spirister living alone whose hobby is writing letters to people in authority. (Ceefau)

10.00 Veriety Club Lunch. Highlights of the Variety Club of Great Britain's kinch at the London Hilton celebrating Bill Cotton's 40 years in the world of entertainment. The guest speakers inching Deve Allen speakers include Dave Allen speakers include Dave Alleri and Les Dawson. 10.40 Film: A Dangerous Summer (1982) starring Tom Skerritt, lan Gilmour and James Mason. Australian thriller about an

elaborate insurance fraud. Directed by Quentin Masters. 12-10am Weather ITV/LONDON

6.00 TV-am begins with the Sports
Show, introduced by Geoff Clark;
6.30 The Morning Show with
Richard Keys; and Good Morning
Britain at 7.00, presented by
Anne Diamond and Mike Morris,
After Nine includes a
discussion on abortion.
9.25 Themse news.

9.25 Thames news. 9.30 Cross Wits. Word game 10.00 Santa Barbara 10.25 News headlines

Serial Barbara 10,25 leaves
headines
10,30 The Time. . . The
Place. . . Mike Scott chairs a
discussion on a topical subject
11,16 Rainbow. Learning made
fun by puppets 11,25 Thames
new headines
11,30 About Britain: Wildlife on the
Edge. This second of five
programmes on the Jersey

programmes on the Jersey Wildlife Preservation Trust examines its work with primates 12.00 The Sulliva

12.30 Quandaries. Quiz game 1.00 News at One with Julia Somerville 1.20 Thames news
1.30 Quincy, When the
investigative pathologist is
prevented from getting to his
office the police ask Chief Coroner

office the police ask Chief Coroner
Hiro to take charge.

2.30 The Treatment includes a
report on a non-surgical treatment
for kidney stones; and why a
fish diet is good for you

3.00 The Write Stuff includes Geraki
Seymour talking about the plot of
his new thriller, 3.25 Thames
news headlines 3.30 The Young
Doctors.

Doctors. 4.00 Rainbow. A repeat of the 4.00 Rainbow. A repeat of the programme shown at 11.10 4.15 The Moomins (r). 4.25 Who's Next. Game show 4.35 inspector Gadget. Cartoon series 5.00 Beliamy's Bugle. David Beliamy entists the help of a sheepdog 5.15 Winner Takes Ali. Family quiz game 5.45 News with Alastair Stewart 6.00 Thames news followed by Crimestopers.

Crimestoppers.
6.25 Help with advice on the best

veteran investigating the murder of an old army friend. Directed by John Cromwell.

4.20 Man on the Flying Trapeze.

winner of the words and numbers game is challenged by Pat Martin, a housewife from Bowring Park, Liverpool.

5.00 Bewitched. Vintage American

5.00 Bewitched. Virilage ration for comedy series.
5.30 The Industrious Bee. This final programme of the series following the cycle of the bee-keeping year examines how traditional bee-products are enjoying a

products are engaging a revival. (Oracle)

6.00 Land of Hope. The last episode of the drama serial following the fortunes of an Irish/Australian

family from the late 1800s to the 1970s.
6.55 Munin Buchstansangur.
Cartoon about an odious creature

ith Peti

discovers there is no money in the bank Bobby is forced to tell her

bank boots is force in the most that his wages are going into the strike fund. He counters his wife's anger by asking her about the letter from the Marniage Guidance Council. (Oracle)

8.30 Moneyspinner from Rochdale Town Hail. With the Bank Manager

of the Year award; an explanation of the Financial Services Act; and what profits to expect if you sell goods to

that lives in a crack on a

Sissons and Sue Carpenter.
7.50 Comment followed by

Weather. 8.00 Brookside. When Sheila

friends at a party.

Cartoon. 4.30 Countdown. Yesterday's

6.30 Connections. Quiz series 7.00 Headliners. Quiz about

7.00 Hesdiners. Quiz about newspaper stories of the past, introduced by Derek Jameson. Joining Nigel Dempster and Philippa Kennedy this week are Lynda Baron, Jason Connery, Angela Douglas and Lawrie McMenemy.
7.30 Auf Wiedersehen, Pet. Cornedy series about a group of brickies from the north-east who find work in West Germany (r). (Oracle)

who find work in West Germany (r). (Oracle)
8.00 The Cook Report. (see Choice)
8.30 Film: China Hand (1987)
starring David Sout and David Hermangs. A made-fortelevision thriller about a Far Eastern Scarlet Pumpeng who helps Vietnamese officials to escape to the United States. He is thought by both the Hong Kong police and a Chinase crime syndicate to know the whereabouts of a missing eight million dollars. Directed by Jerry London

Jarry London
10.00 News at Ten with Alastair
Burnet and Sandy Gall 10.30
Thates news.
10.35 Death in Florence. (see

10.35 Death of nurence, (and Choice)
11.35 Seconds Out. Boxing action from York Hall, Bethnal Green
12.35am Kojak. The New York detective has to deal with a prize fighter holding a priest and a more hostena in a church.

woman hostage in a church.

1.30 Worlds Beyond: Undying Love
A tale of the supernatural 2.00 News headlines followed by Film: Off Duty (1981) starting Victor Lanoux and Jean Rochefort. Two French policemen decide to keep the contents of a drugs raid — one suitcase packed with heroin, another crammed with money. Directed by Michel Vianey.
4.00 News headlines followed by

Three's Company. Comedy series
4.30 Nashville Swing featuring Larry
Gatlin and Bob Lucier.

5.00 ITN Morning News. Ends at

6.55 Open University: Combined Heat and Power. Ends at 7.20, 9.00 Ceefst.

9.00 Ceefax.
9.20 Daytime on Two: for maths teachers of pupils aged 11 to 16
9.52 Finding out about the lives of parents and grandparents
10.15 The experiences of an 11-year-old whose parents move from Edinburch to Militan from Edinburgh to Milton Keynes 10.38 The contrasts in wealth and powerty in Sao
Paulo, Brazil's fastest growing city
11:00 How plant and animal
life can be encouraged 11.18
Episode one of a five-part
adventure serial in French 11.35 Microelectronics 12.00 A
problem for 10- to 12-year-olds
12.05 Ceefax 12.20 Two
theatre critics, Michael Billington
and Michael Coveney, discuss
the work of Tom Stoppard 12.30
Scenick lenguages 4.20

Spanish language series 1,20
For the very young.
1.38 Big Top Science. The first of a new series presented by Kjartan Poskitt and Terry Marsh on discovering scientific principles.
Recorded at the Discovery
Domes of Science Projects
Limited,

2.00 News and weather followed by 2.00 News and weather tollowed by a series for the very young.
2.15 See Hearl Magazine series for the hearing impaired, presented by Cive Mason and Maureen Denmark (r).
2.45 World Snooker. Jimmy White meets Tony Knowles in one guston field white Steep.

quarter-final; while Steve James meets the winner of theParrott/Thorburn encounter on the other table. Introduced by David loke from the Crucible Theatre, Sheffield, The commentators are Ted Lowe,

includes news and weather at 3.00 and 3.50. 3.00 and 3.50.
5.30 Gardeners' World presented by Geoff Hamilton and Anne Swithinbank from Barnsdale.
There is advice on growing a lot in a small space and on how to get in of slure in get rid of slugs (r). 6.00 World Snooker. Further

coverage of this afternoon's two quarter-final matches.

5.50 Young Musician of the Year.
Humphrey Surton introduces the five brass finalists. Joining the resident adjudicator, Professor

Alun Hoddinott, are horn player John Pigneguy, trumpets David Mason, trombonist John iveson and composer Edward

Neson and composer Edward
Gregson.
7.30 Walmwright in Scotland.
Walmwright enjoys the Western
Highlands.
8.00 Russell Harty's Grand Tour. In
this last programme of the series
Russell Harty visits Rome
where he has an audiance with the
Pone goes synthseeing with Pope; goes signtseeing with Franco Zeffireill; and spends half a day admiring the fountains at the Villa d'Este. (Ceefax)

9.00 World Snooker. Steve Davis

continues his quarter-final match with Tony Drago; Neal Foulds plays Terry Griffiths.

9.30 The Nature of Australia. The second of six programmes about the wildlife of Australia focuses on the continent's marine creatures, some of them still showing evidence of Australia's Antarctic origins. Among the creatures seen in the film are the leafy dragon, the great white shark, seaweed-cultivating fish, green turbles and coral polyps. (Ceefax)

10.25 Ruth's Story. An award-winning documentary following the efforts of a Noriolk family to try and persuade their daughter to try and persuade their daughter to leave the controversial Church of Scientology. The film investigates the conflict within the family following the daughter's decision to join the Church and, when she refuses to return frome how the parents. home, how the parents order to try and make her change her mind. Narrated by Peter Smart (first shown on

Peter Street (Illist shown on BBC East).

10.55 Newsnight. The latest national and international news including extended coverage of one of the newson of the day. the main stories of the day. Presented by Peter Snow and Donald MacCormick. 11.40

Weather.
11.45 World Snooker. Highlights of the day's quarter-final action in the Embessy World Professional championship introduced by David 12.10am Open University: Purpose and Planning in the Curriculum. Ends at 12.40.

CHANNEL 4 9.30 Schools. 12.00 Sesame Street Pre-school series for Children. 12.30 Business Daily. Financial and business news service 1.00 Autocare. The first in a series of five programmes on buying a second hand car and maintenance (r). (Oracle) 1.30 It's a Deal. Part one of a series 1.30 it's a Deal. Part one of a series for those starting or thinking about a career in sales (r). (Ceefax) 2.60 The Parliament Programme 2.30 Fitm: Dead Rectoning (1947, b/w) starring Humphrey Bogart and Lizabeth Scott. Drama about a Second World War

Muriel Gray goes behind the scenes of a TV police series (C4, 9.00pm)

9.00 The Media Show goes behind the scenes at the filming of the television series The Bill, now being made in two weekly parts in order to compete with the BBC's EastEnders. Presented by Muriel Grav.

Muriel Gray.

10-00 A Town Like Alice. Episode three of the six-part adaptation of Nevil Shute's novel about the romance of two prisoners-of-war which begins when the Japanese invade Malaya. Starring Helen Morse and Bryan Brown

11.10 Voices - The Trouble With Truth. John Searle, philosopher Ronald de Sousa and psychoanalyst Cornellus Castoriades discuss why our thinking about our emotions is confused.

12.10am Ghosts in the Machine: The World Within Us. A poetic drama in which a writer looks back at his life.

12.30 Nightworks begins with Brandenburg Concerto No 2. Adrian Marthaler's filmic version of Bach's celebrated

composition

12.45 Handel — Honour, Profit and
Pleasure starring Simon Callow as
the composer during his life in
England (r). England (r).

2.05 Brandenburg Concerto No 3
performed by the Swiss Chamber
Orchestra, conducted by
Antonio Nunez. Ends at 2.25.

VARIATIONS

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1.30-2.30 Love Boat 6.00-8.30 About
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4.00-5.00 Silk Road,

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RTE 2 Starts:2.30pm
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Roger Cook, a fearless investigator with bruises to prove it starts a new series tonight (The Cook Report: ITV, 8.00pm)

Cook often stirred but never shaken

 One of the golden moments from the new series of The Cook Report (ITV, 8.00pm) has our burly hero striding across a posh golf course in Pennsylvania to confront the chairman of a multinational drugs company. "Why do you go on marketing an addictive drug?" demands our fearless investigator. "Get off this golf course" roars the furious executive. True to his calling, Roger Cook declines to do so and finds himself being laid about the legs by the said chairman with a number one wood. Two weeks later Cook still has the bruises to prove it. This little episode neathy encapsulates the essence of Cook's programmes. On the one hand they can be marvellous, unpredictable entertainment. At the same time they are tackling serious issues. The point behind the golf course fracas is the desperate story of a woman hooked on tranquillisers. Other programmes find Cook mixing it with pimps, loan sharks and badger baiters, while tonight's

TELEVISION CHOICE

opener is a mind-boggling report from Brazil on how babies are literally stolen from their cots and sold for large sums to childless couples in the United States and Europe. Since it was still being put together up to the last minute, I have not been able to see Death in Florence (ITV, 10.35pm) but I am prepared to recommend it for two reasons. First, it promises a portrait of the Italian city far removed from the perception of the average tourist. Behind its artistic façade, Florence is a centre for drugs, kidnapping and terrorism and has a tranvestite tradition going back to the 11th century. Secondly, it is directed by Andrew Piddington, whose documentary on the American photographer, Weegee, was one of the most inventive pieces of TV in recent years. Peter Waymark

Moving pictures

• If a play like Rhys Adrian's Upended (Radio 3, 9.25pm) can make me laugh, albeit with the occasional wince, then anything can. Owner of a house I want to sell but which nobody seems to want to buy, constantly worrying about whether the asking price is too high or too low, and unable to escape the good and bad advice of friends who have been through it all themselves and somehow survived to tell the tale, I was half inclined not to listen to Adrian's latest comedy because, as well as incorporating the dilemmas I have itemized, I beard that it had some dispiriting points to make about social and geo-graphical divides and their impact on decision-making record celebration (R4, 8pm) ether to move, who to move, and where to move to. In the event, I found Upended a beneficially therapeutic experience if only

ing and selling houses. tions in Sound (Radio 4, 8.00pm) kept making me the cat's whisker? think about the early, ludicrous, days of great inven-

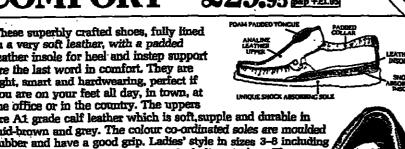
because it is entirely about

topic of conversation is buy-

tions. Did VTO aircraft really have to begin life as flying bedsteads? And was there really nothing more auspicious for pioneering recording engineers to etch into their wax cylinders than someone reciting "Mary had a little lamb"? With the LP already Part one of Robin Ray's an endangered species, if centenary history of the Revolutions in Sound is to be gramophone record Revolu- believed, how long before CD begins to look as antiquated as

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News on the half-hour from 6.30em until 6.30pm, then at 10.00 and 12.00 midnight.
5.30 Adrian John 7.00 Miles Smith's Breakfast Show 9.30 Smon Bates 12.30 Newsbeat (Smith Stephines) 4.65 (Smith Stephines) 4.6

(Frank Partridge) 12.45 Gary Davies 3.00 Steve Wright 5.30 Newsbeat 5.45 Bruno Brooks **7.30** Liz Kershaw 1**0.00**-1**2.00** John Peel **VHF** Stereo Radios 1 and 2:- 4.00am As Radio 2 10.00pm As Radio 1 12.00-4.00am As Radio 2.

Radio 2

MW (medium wave) Stereo on MW (medium wave) Stereo on VHF (see Radio 1) 4.00 Colin Berry 5.30 Chris Stuart 7.30 Derek Jameson 9.30 Ken Bruce 11.00 Anne Robinson 1.05 David Jacobs 2.00 Gloria Humiford 3.30 Adrian Love 5.05 John Dum 7.00 Robert Parker's A to Z of Jazz 7.30 Stees Reserve the Darlin rainer 3 A ID 2 Of Jezz 7-30 Steve Race Presents the Radio Orchestra Show 9.00 Say It With Music 10.00 Another Digance Indulgence 10.30 Back to Square One 11.00 Brian Matthew present Round Midnight 1.00 Patrick Lunt presents Nightride 3.00-4.00 A Little Night Music.

WORLD SERVICE

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All times in GMT. Add an hour for BST,
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Writer Mavis Gallant talks to Paul Bailey (R3, 7.05pm) 6.55 Weather, News headlines 7.30 Weamer, News headines
7.00 Morning Concert: Purcell (Chaconne: St Paul CO under Zukerman); Sertok (Romanian Folk Songs: Andras Schiff, pieno); Vanhal (Sinfonia in F: Urnea Sinfonieta under Saraste)
7.30 News

Sinfonietta under Saraste)
7,30 News
7,35 Concert contd: Mozart
(Symphony No 25 in G
minor (K 183); Vienna PO
under Levine); Debussy
(Danae sacrée et danse
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St Martin-In-the-Fields
under Marriner, with Osian
Elis, harp); Chopin (Waltz in
E flat, Op 18: Vladimir
Ashkenazy, piano);
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8.35 News

8.35 Composers of the Week:
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9.35 Handel: This sonates played
by L'Ecole D'Orphée with
Philip Pickett, recorder

10.15 Tenor, Horn and Peanc Ian
Partridge, Ifor James and

Partridge, lior James and Jenniter Pentridge play Berlioz's Le Jeune Patre breton; Trevor Hold's Song at the Year's Turning; and John McCabe's Three Folk Songs (r) 10.45 Music for Viola and Organ: 10.45 Music for Viola and Organ:
Richard Crabtree and
Hubert Dawkes play Otto
Siegi's Weihnachts-Sonate
and Leo Sowerby's Poem (f)
11.20 Two: Max Bruch plano
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music. Romance, Op 14 No 1. Julian Jacobson; Fantasiestück, Op 14 No 2, Andrew Ball; and Fantasia in D minor, Op 11, Julian Jacobson and Andrew Ball

11.45 BBC Philharmonic Malcolm Brins, piano. Hayon's Symphony No 77 in Briat; Poulanc's Plano Concerto: and Shostakovich's Symphony No 6 in B minor 1.00 News 1.05 Wittred Josephs: Delmé String Quartet with Anthony Pleeth, cello, play Quartet Prelude in honour of Joseph

Prelude in honour of Joseph Haydn, Op 124 No 1; Cuintet, Op 32; and Quartet No 4, Op 124 No 2

5 Music in Leipzig: Includes Adam Krieger (Die Fröhlichkeit acht' keinen Neid: Members of the Little Orchestra of London under Rifikin with Nigel Rogers, tenor); Kurt Weilf's The Rise and Field of the City of Mahagonny (excerpts): Hamburg Radio Orchestra under Brückner-Rüggeberg; and Reger (Variations and Fugue on a theme of J A Hiller: Bavarian RSO under Davis) (r)

Davis) (r) 3.55 A Touch of Spain: Ton 3.55 A Touch of Spain: Ton Koopman, harpeichord, plays works by Cabarillee, Cabezon, Soler, Mateo, and Pérez de Albéniz (1)
4.30 Peter Pears: Michael Berkeley Introduces the lest in the series of recitals by the British tenor, which comprises works by British. With Osian Bills, harp (r)
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: presented by Richard Baker 6.30 The Partridges Are

presented by Richard Baker 6.30 The Partridges Are Weeping: Traditional songs from north west Greece from north west Greece
7.00 News
7.05 Third Ear: Paul Bailey talks
to writer Mavis Gallant
7.30 City of Birmingham
Symphony Orchestra: five
from Birmingham Town Hail.
With Simon Rattle,
conductor, and Gydrgy
Paul, violin. Part one:
Webern's Six Pieces for
Orchestra, Op 8; and Berg's
Violin Concerto

Orchestra, Op 6; and perg s Violin Concerto

8.05 Recollections of Henry James (r)

8.25 CBSO contat Part two: Stravinsky's Ballet Apolio; Ravel's Daphnis et Chloë and Suite No 2

9.25 Upernlect comedy by Rhys Article (see Chotral) Adrian (see Choice)
Adrian (see Choice)
10.00 Percussion 88 (new series):
Kroumata perform Per
Norgaard's Squares and
Round; John Cege's Third

Construction; Jan Sandstrom's Campi aperti; and Sven-David Sandstrom's Drums 11.00 Composers of the Week: Britten in America (r) 12.00 News 12.05 Closedown



in Michael Frayn's series of five unguarded observations

7.05 The Archers
7.20 File on 4 — Going Home (new series): Analysis of major issues at home and

abroad with David Levy 8.00 Revolutions in Sound (new series): Robin Ray presents the first of six programmes

the first of six programmes celebrating 100 years of the gramophone (s) (see Choice)

8-30 Connolly's Masterplace:
Profile of author and critic Cyril Connolly (1903-1974) who believed that everything he did should excite London's literary world. With contributions from Lord Annan and Sir Stephen Spender (r)

9-15 in Touch: A magazine for the visually handicapped.

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Presented by Peter White

9.45 Kaleidoscope: features
terms on Kurt Vonnegut's
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new book Bluebeard, the musical Ziegleld, which opens tonight, and Armeda!, a National Maritime Museum exhibition

10-15 A Book at Bedtime: God's Snake by Irini Spanidou (2 of 10) Read by Paola Dionisotti 10-29 Weather

10-30 The World Tonight: Presented by Alexander MacLeod

11-15 The Financial World Tonight

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Running Your Office 2.40 The YTS
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11.30 Open University: 11.30

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LW (long wave) (s) Stereo on VHF
5.55 Shipping Forecast 6.00
News Briefing; Weather
6.10 Farming Today 6.25
Prayer for the Day
6.30 Today presented by Peter
Hobday and Chris Lowe,
incl 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News
Summary 6.45 Business
News 6.55, 7.55 Weather
7.00, 8.00 Today's News
7.20 Your Letters 7.25,
8.25 Sport 7.45 Thought
for the Day 8.35 Yesterday
in Parliament 8.57 Weather; in Parliament 8.57 Weather

9.00 News 9.05 Call Nick Ross: Under discussion are the constitutional powers and rights of the House of Lords. Guests are Lord

Weather 1.00 The World at One 1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55

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Child; kidney dialysis; and
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3.00 Naws; Electrochemistry:
Play by Rupert FergleWoods about a romance
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spansed off in an electrical shop. With Caroline Gruber, Susie Brann and Stephen Reshbrook (s)

3.32 Comparing Notes: Richard Baker discusses the revival of early music with

Road 5.50-8.55 PM (continued)
11.30 Open University: 11.30
Calculus: Inequalities 11.50
Technology: Learning from
Europe? 12.10am Music Interlude
12.30-1.10 Schools Night-Time:
The Best of Come and Praise

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Radio 3 Orchestra: with Patrick Thomas, conductor, and

Lords. Guests are Lord Ponsonby and Lord Boyd-Carpenter. To participate call 01-580 4411

10.00 News; Medicine Now: the value of physical therapy for cerebral palsy; mimor: surgery performed by GPs; and drug development in cancer research

10.30 Morning Story: Daphne Comes First written and read by Dee Holliday

10.45 Daily Service (s)

11.00 News: Travel; Citizens

11.55 From Our Own
Correspondent

Correspondent 11.50 Tales From a Palm Court:

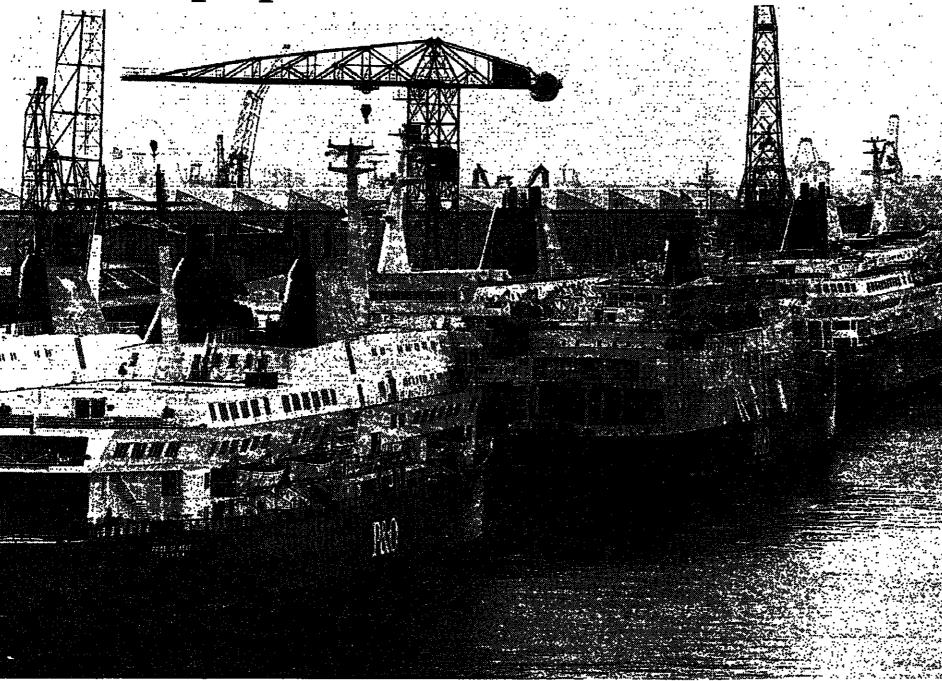
11.50 Tales From a Palm Court:
The exploits of an English circuit judge in the British South Pacific Territories, based on his own experience and written by Ronnie Knox-Mawer. Read by Ian Carmichae)

12.00 News: You and Yours with John Buckley

12.25 My Music: Steve Race crairs the musical panel game with John Amis, Frank Muir, Ian Wallace and Denis Norden (s) (r) 12.55

Weather

FREQUENCIES: Radio 1: 1053kHz/285m;1089kHz/275m;VHF-88-90,2.
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P&O ferries waiting yesterday to move out of dock at Schiedam in Rotterdam in an attempt to break the 12-week-old strike by the National Union of Seamen. (Photograph: Tim Bishop)

P&O set to defy strikers and sail

last night, after the NUS

refused to let them sail in response to P&O's threat to sack the Dover seamen. Mr Jim Slater, NUS President, said other river workers,

such as tug boat crews and pilots, who are not members of the NUS, had agreed to prevent the ships leaving the Tyne until they are fully crewed by properly trained and fully certificated".

The union warned its members that anyone taking a job with P&O would be accused of being strike breakers, working on terms and conditions rejected by the NUS.

However, lines to the personnel department at P&O's Dover headquarters were jammed yesterday with inquiries about the jobs.

The company's decision to the National Union of Seamen has created confusion and chaos within the ranks of Numast It has beeen reluctant to take strike action, but as not sailed with non-union labour not since the Herald of Free Enterprise capsized.

Numast said: "Officers on P&0 European Ferries are between the devil and the deep blue sea. If they refuse to sail non-unionized ships they face the sack; if they acquiesce they face losing their certifigates and ending up with a possible fine or prison

chant Shipping Bill states that officers could be liable for a two-year prison sentence and a fine of £50,000 for sailing an unsafe ship.

Mr Eric Nevin, Numast's general secretary, called on P&O's chairman Sir Jeffrey Sterling to issue a statment saying he would be holding himself personally liable for the safety of ships with new

Mr Nevin said: "If members are not satisfied with crews, in particular their qualifications and experience, they should refuse to sail ships. We believe members would be in their rights to refuse and that the company would be breaking the law if they used ships inadequately

We are recommending all our members on all P&O writing of any crew changes and their assessment of the safety of every voyage."

P&0 yesterday advertised in several national newspapers for experienced petty officers and ratings. The advertisements offered "attractive salaries and fringe benefits", and added: "Membership of the National Union of Seamen is neither a qualification nor a bar to employment."

Mr Dunlop said the sackings and advertisements "was inevitable." He added: "The majority of our ratings want to return to work ."

Tory benefit fears

Ministers warned of new rebellion

By Robin Oakley, Political Editor

Ministers are still struggling to find a formula to avoid a further damaging Tory rebel-lion on social security benefit changes in the Commons to-Mr Nicholas Scott, the So-

cial Services Minister, will meet Tory MPs in the backbench bealth and social services committee tonight in an attempt to placate the

Senior Tories have warned the Whips that if concessions are not forthcoming in the debate, either from Mr Scott

at the meeting or from him and Mr John Moore, the Secretary of State for Social Services, then they will vote against the Government in the debate to be staged by Labour

The generous pay award for nurses seems to have done little to calm the dispute on

Mr Cranley Onslow, the chairman of the 1922 Com-

to have conveyed a warning from the 1922 executive to the Prime Minister that there must be concessions to meet the concerns of MPs who have been deluged with complaints by constituents alarmed about social security benefit ages and about housing benefit in particular.

There were signs that the Government was still resisting the idea widely canvassed among Tory MPs of increas-ing the cut-off point which disqualifies people from receiving housing benefit from

£6,000 to £10,000-worth of savings, although there were talks yesterday between Treasury and Department of Health and Social Security ministers and officials about a number of the anomalies which have emerged as the new regulations are im-

Mrs Thatcher has defended vigorously the £6,000 limit and argued that there will be trouble wherever the cut-off point is fixed. She is expected to see Mr Moore today.

Commons sketch

Another chapter in Heffer's history

some extent, Ms Lois Lane, there's not a lot that Eric Heffer hasn't done. With each fresh question he asks, he reveals yet another stitch in the long and varied tapestry of his life.

"As somebody who... his questions invariably begin, and eager observers lean forward to tune in to the latest episode from the Life and Times of Eric Heffer. These opportunities are not to be sniffed at, for, if Mr Benn's bid for leadership is successful, then we may yet see Mr Heffer occupying Mr Lawson's trousers. "As somebody who ... "

There follows any section or sections from a curriculum vitae of quite outstanding merit and distinction. On one day, Mr Heffer might present himself as somebody who has spent all his adult life combatting injustice and oppression, on another he will stand as somebody who has travelled as far as Scotland or the Continent, and on yet another he will speak as somebody who has been a lifelong employer of the ball-Inevitably, some of these

proud boasts are rather more interesting than others. "As somebody who ... " he began a question yesterday, and his aspirant biographers beg-an to take notes. "As some-body who actually studied the Welsh language on a Liver-pool University Extra Mural Course..." he continued. In Heffer terms, this is hot stuff, and it was to grow even body who is a Member of the Welsh Labour History Society ... " Gasp! Almost as he spoke, publishers were frantically ordering reams upon reams of extra paper, so as to be in a position to rush out more copies of "Heffer. The Welsh Language Years, Vol-ume One", in time for

Mr Heffer asked the Sec-retary of State for Wales what efforts were being made to encourage the study of his beloved Welsh language in areas outside Wales, "in particular in England". From then on, Hefferless, Welsh Questions were back on tearjerkingly tedious form, the mad bark of Mr Peter Walker doing little to ruffle the gabble-gabble-gabble of the Welsh hens. As usual during Welsh

Demjanjuk is sentenced to death

Questions, those Tory MPs who had wandered into the Chamber, presumably by mistake, found that their eyelids soon began to droop. Yet Mr Harry Greenway's eyes were as beady as ever, his schoolmasterly hand wrapped around a fountain pen, busying away with making notes. An unlikely Bos-well to Heffer's Johnson, Mr Greenway (Cons, Ealing North) seemed more probably engaged in preparing his own question to The Member Representing the Church Commissioners, Mr Michael

With only five minutes in every fortnight to rule the roost, The Member Representing the Church Commissioners occupies a similar position in The House of Commons as "The Sky at Night" occupies on BBC Television. It must be particularly galling for poor Mr Alison that so much of his precious space seems always to be occupied by the Milky Ways of Mr Greenway.

Mr Greenway is worned by most things that happen in Church, and by much that happens out of it. A vicar cannot express himself as pleased to see the sun shin so brightly without Mr. Greenway bouncing up to condemn the modern trend among clergymen to interfere in matters over which they have no jurisdiction.

Yesterday, Mr Greenway declared himself upset that the efforts from the Church in the countryside were funding the leftward-inclined "Faith in the Cities" schemes. There, there, went Mr Alison

One of the many earthly glories of Questions to Mr Alison is that they signal the end of Welsh Questions for another two weeks. Alas. once Weish members have begun to talk of their favourite subject, they find it hard to stop. With Mr Alison's five minutes over, Mrs Ann Clwyd (Lab, Cynon Valley) rose to ask Mr John Wakeham why there was no Welsh bottled water in the House. As somebody who likes to drink Welsh water forward, perhaps envious of such biographical distinction in a Member of the Tory

Howe's plan to beat hijacks

eign Secretary, yesterday put anger that the Algerian Tightening up of The Hague forward a five-point plan for authorities had allowed the Convention of 1970 specifieffective international action against future hijackings, including a proposal for a group of counter-terrorism experts to be on permanent standby to advise governments which become the victims of hijacking incidents.

The British plan, presented yesterday to a meeting of EEC foreign ministers, will be discussed today by the Inter-national Civil Aviation Organization in Montreal.

It follows the recent hijacking of a Kuwaiti airliner, but Sir Geoffrey stopped short of calling for Western sanctions

Sir Geoffrey Howe, the For- against Algeria, despite British all nations on airport security; hijackers to escape.

> Yesterday, Britain received some support from Italy for the sanctions idea, but West Germany resisted the proposal, as did France, which has close links with Algeria.

The five-point plan ● An international task force

to investigate the Kuwaiti incident; ● A group of counter-terrorism experts to advise govern-

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ments, although not to intervene militarily Mandatory guidelines for

cally the provision binding governments not to let hijackers take off once a hijacked aircraft has landed;

 A campaign to persuade countries which have not yet signed The Hague agreement

Sir Geoffrey said that Britain would also press the Western economic summit in Toronto in June to strengthen the 1978 seven-nation Bonn agreement, which, like The Hague convention calls on governments not to allow hijackers to escape justice.

Continued from page 1

atrocities were perpetrated in witness." Treblinka by a hangman known as "Ivan the Terrible."

"But that hangman was not me, John Demjanjuk. Last week you pointed to me as Ivan the Terrible'. But you made a very, very, very great mistake because I am not 'Ivan the Terrible'. I call to witness God himself, who knows I am innocent. I have no doubt in my heart. My

heart is pure.
"I am filled with admiration for this democratic country, this holy land. Yet in the 20th century I do not understand how it is possible for such an injustice to happen for me to be convicted. I do not deserve this. I am innocent, innocent,

innocent, as God is my

Mr Youa Blattman, the sheer brutality of the behaviour" meant that death was the only possible punishment. He catalogued the atrocities while the audience in the converted theatre hissed.

As he continued, Demjanjuk could be seen making the sign of the cross, as if to ward off the evil deeds in the words. "He has gone beyond the realms of the barrier which sets apart human from beast ... Society is duty-bound to get rid of him in order to protect itself from such

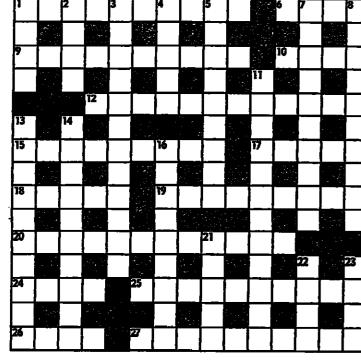
animals." Mr John Gill, defending.

pleaded against the court pass-

While condemning what happened in the death camps, Mr Gill called into question the court's reliance on the memory of Treblinka wit-nesses. This led him on to a line of argument which clearly angered the bench. "Let not a second horrendous crime be carried out," he said. "That is the execution of an ultimately proven innocent man."

Judge Dov Levin invited him to re-phrase this, but instead he underlined the point. "This is in itself an individual holocaust," Mr Gill said. "The taking of any innocent life is a holocaust."

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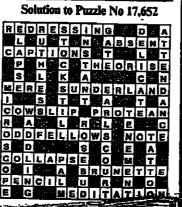
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- 9 On paper, cricket side given no chance (7,3). 10 Mount donkey and circle back
- 12 Put up with the piano one has,
- to keep up with the others (5,3,4). 15 Court habitually sees little boy
- with king (9). 17 Provoke today's top dog? (5).
- 18 Progress by one's own efforts in revolutionary movement (5). 19 Soldiers given direction to prepare for another posting (9).
- 20 Such a lot of unhappiness, according to the sergeant (12).
- 24 Top copy? Times finally appears 25 Old game that's fought over, as
- you might say (10). 26 Bear giving better chance (4).
- 27 Foolishly underrate holding against gambler (10).

- 1 Girl's day of birth? Just the opposite (4).
- 2 Rear of plane turned in flight
- Factors, perhaps, involved in-home affairs (6,6). 3 Factors,
- 4 Arrest Pole in bankruptcy case
- 5 Where you might get ice after a News of the French plots (10).
- 8 As immature as such lack of expertise could be (10). 11 Lay about more savage types in
- confusion (12). 13 West End farce finishes up a vehicle for the stars (10).
- 14 Rattle for little girl's music-making (10). 16 Move fast to get on target in
- 21 Flexible one, for a change, in lathe (5). 22 Audibly disapprove of ring-leader, a nasty type (4).
- Concise crossword, page 14.

23 Brook or river (4).

WORD-WATCHING A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct? By Philip Howard RICKET

- a. A primitive ball game b. A type of computer format c. A mistake HUMICUBATION Penitence
 Producing eggs
 Roman central heating
- PARVIS a. Little children b. A courtyard c. By small steps IRIDOLOGY Bogus folk medicine
- A branch of hydraulies c. The science of rainbows Answers on page 22, column !



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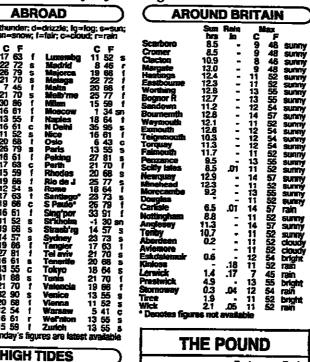
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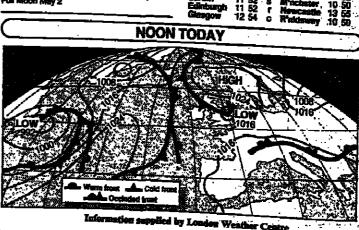




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Another society cuts rate

The Nationwide Anglia Building Society, the last major society to set a new home loans rate in the current round, yesterday cut its mortgage rate by 0.55 of a percentage point to 9.75 per cent.

Nationwide's 800,000 borrowers have been paying 10.3 per cent. Both existing and new borrowers will be put on the new rate from May i.

The Society's 6 million savers will have to wait a little longer for the announcement of a cut in their rates. Now that the mortgage battle is drawing to an end - this time round the competition on savers's rates is sure to follow.

This week, savers will find how much is to be shaved off investment rates to balance the cuts in mortgage rates, which now range from 9.5 to 9.8 per cent with some lenders going even lower.

Allied leaps

Allied London Properties, the property investment and development group, doubled pretax profits to £3.4 million during the first half of the year to December 31. An interim dividend of 0.9p is being paid.

Inter-locking

Yale and Valor, which last year took over the American-based Yale locks business, is now paying £2 million for the Ingersoil locks company. Ingersoll, based at Woking, Surrey, is thought to have 3 per cent of the British market.

SUMMARY

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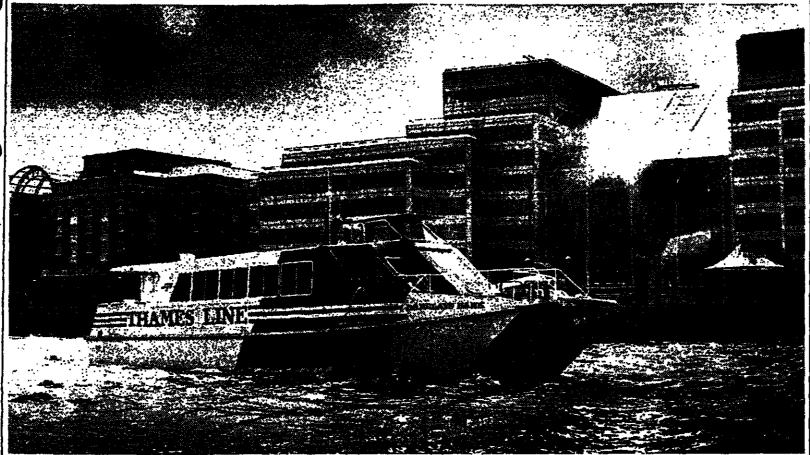
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Off to the City, in London's latest liquid asset | Elf pays £309m



Commuter special: Thames Line's 62-seater catamaran shows her paces alongside London's South Bank yesterday (Photograph: Chris Harris)

Pound falls as MPs reject intervention

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent

An influential all-party committee of MPs said yesterday the Prime Minister was right to rule out prolonged large-scale intervention to hold down sterling.

But it supported the Chancellor's overall aim of exchange rate stability, while re-cognizing the difficulties of cutting interest rates to restrain sterling at a time of inflationary pressures.

The report coincided with a sharp fall in the pound after Chancellor's weekend comments on the unsustainability of sterling's strength.
It fell by 1.55 cents to

\$1.8745 and by 1.5 pfennigs to DM3.1453. The sterling index slipped by 0.5 points to 78.2. Dealers said the Chancellor's comments added to before the March trade figures,

to be published on Friday. The Treasury and Civil Ser-

its members as being neither pound's rise, and should do so on the side of the Prime again if necessary. Minister nor the Chancellor in the recent debate over exchange rate policy.

Its Conservative chairman,

Mr Terence Higgins, said: "I don't think we are backing one or the other. The report, he said, supported the Prime Minister's

Stock markets

argument that intervention could not be used to "buck the market" and that "intervention should not be used to try

> patible with that determined by economic forces." However, the report also said the Government could influence the market in other changes but also through fiscal policy. In this respect, Mr Higgins said, the Chancellor was right to have cut interest

and achieve or maintain an

exchange rate which is incom-

co-operation on fiscal and monetary policies.

There appeared to be some inconsistency in the committee's approval of lower interest rates as a means of restraining sterling and its criticisms of the Government's record on inflation.

The Government, the report said, should have achieved 3 per cent inflation by 1988 according to earlier versions of the medium-term financial strategy. As this was now pencilled in for 1991, it meant "the programme is three years behind schedule."

Regretably, progress in Britain continued to compare unfavourably with the success of our leading competitors, the committee added.

The report concluded that intervention should only be used to smooth exchange rate vention may prove impossible to achieve and expensive, but vice Committee's report, The was right to have cut interest that the Chancellor was right Outlook, published today by 1988 Budget, was described by rates in response to the to seek greater international National Westminster Bank.

The committee called for greater official information on the profits and losses arising intervention, and rejected the Treasury's argument that such information

was market sensitive. On its own heavily-qualified calculations, the Bank of England may have recorded a book loss on its intervention of £1.3 billion last year, the

report said.
The MPs expressed concern about the reliability of Brit-ain's official statistics, specifically the large gaps between the income and expenditure measures of gross domestic product, and recommended a Government investigation into the compilation of data.

• The pound could rise temporarily to \$2 and DM3.20 ional co-ordination of inter- and DM2.90 by the end of the year, according to the April-May Economic and Financial

Riverbus service for **Thames**

By Rodney Cowton Transport Correspondent

ondon's commuters will have a new transport service from June 1: a 25 mph riverbus, which will operate, at first, between Charing Cross and West India Dock in the Isle of Dogs.

One riverbus has been operating, on a trial basis, for the past eight months, but the new route will be served by modified versions which are both longer and faster. The first of these new vessels. sponsored by Barclays Bank, took to the Thames yesterday. The boats are catamarans, and will seat 62 passengers.

Thames Line, the operators, will be running a service every 15 minutes from Charing Cross, calling at the Festival Pier, beside the Royal Festival Hall: Swan Lane Pier, on the north bank near London Bridge, London Bridge City, on the south bank; Cherry Garden Pier on the south bank east of Tower Bridge; and West India Dock.

to extend the service westwards to Chelsea Cadogan Pier, and eastwards to Greenland Dock Pier, north-west of Greenwich. Mr Roger Mabbott, the deputy managing director of Thames Line, said the basic single fare from Charing Cross to the City will be £1, and £2 from Charing Cross to Docklands.

for RTZ's gas and oil assets

By David Young, Energy Correspondent

has spent £309 million in acquiring the oil and gas assets of the mining and industrial giant RTZ.

The move has sent a ripple through the share prices of other independent oil companies, which have been seen as potential targets for RTZ. It had been widely suggested in the City that the company was looking to increase its oil and expand considerably.

The market reacted favourably, with the RTZ share price rising 13p to 380p.

RTZ moved to acquire 49 per cent of Enterprise Oil when it was floated by the Government five years ago. This move was blocked by the Government, but RTZ said that it was not doing it to build up oil holdings, but because it saw an investment opportunity in what was an undersubscribed flotation.

The Government restricted RTZ to a 30 per cent holding, which it later swapped with Lasmo in return for a 25 per cent holding in Lasmo. It has since built it up to the 30 per cent it agreed to retain until next summer.

That agreement remains in force, and there is now speculation that Lasmo could become a takeover target if it loses the protection of RTZ as a large shareholder. Lasmo will, meanwhile, retain its 29 per cent of Enterprise.

Ironically, the RTZ decision to move out of the oil and gas sector could lead to a revitalized Enterprise emerging as a buyer of Lasmo

Elf, the 75 per cent state-owned French oil company Sea, and in several British

onshore licence blocks, was taken after a board review of businesses which decided to sharpen the focus on the core mining activities. Mr Derek Birkin, the chief

executive, said yesterday that the company took the view that if it wanted to stay in the oil and gas business to benefit shareholders it would have to

Last year, the oil and gas interest accounted for only £11 million of the company's net profit of 279 million, and only £1.9 million of the £244.8 million total the year before.

RTZ's oil and gas assets are, on its books, valued at £98.1 million, but Elf said that it was satisfied with the price it has paid because of the underlying value of the oil reserves added to its portfolio.

RTZ has 31 oil and gas licences in the offshore sector and 15 onshore, with a share in oil and gas from the Argyll, Duncan, Innes, Forties, Esmond, Forbes, Gordon, Hewett and Crosby Warren fields. It also has interests in Italy and the Netherlands which will be transferred to Elf. The company will also take on RTZ's 65 specialist oil and gas staff.

Elf has the equivalent of 120,000 barrels of oil a day from its holdings in the North Sea — half gas from Frigg and Alwyn North, half oil from Alwyn North and Forties.

Because of its tax exposure in Britain, Elf has been looking to add to its North Sea holdings and earlier this year unsuccessfully bid £150 mil-RTZ's decision to sell its oil lion for Tricentrol

North Sea exploration ahead of estimates

By David Young, Energy Correspondent Exploration activity in the industry. There was a 50 per

North Sea this year is already ahead of earlier estimates, with more wells being drilled in January alone than in the first quarter of 1987, according to the Department of

Mr Peter Morrison, Min-ister of State for Energy, said: The cautious optimism with which I viewed the prospects for the UK oil and gas industry in 1987 has blossomed into a confidence that the UK will continue to gain great economic benefit from its hydrocarbon resources for many years to come."

Mr Morrison said that 1987 could be seen as a year of recovery in the offshore oil

cent rise in development drilling over 1986. Exploration and appraisal drilling was at its third highest level since 1964 and general oil rig work was 20 per cent higher than the year before.

"The level of discoveries -19 offshore and four onshore were announced — is a further measure of the improvement as is the fact that my Department approved development plans for eight offshore and five onshore developments."

 This week's Opec meeting is not expected to result in higher prices or output cuts. Mr John Herrington, the US Energy Secretary, said.

Rosehaugh New Koppers deadline after interim up to £9.83m By John Bell, City Editor

By Alexandra Jackson Mr Brian Beazer's acrimonious \$1.8 billion (£960 mil-Rosehaugh, the property company developing the Broad-gate Development in the City, announced pretax profits in the six months to end-December up to £9.83 million from £6.02 million.

The shares remained un-changed at 727p. However, City analysts are reserving their attention for the full-year figures, when Rosehaugh is expected to reveal a sizeable increase in its asset value per

In the year to June 1987, Roschaugh's asset value in-creased from 235.6p to 430.1p. Some forecasts for this year are as high as 650p.

Gross profits advanced from £4.5 million to £5.7 million on turnover up from £15.6 million to £25.6 million. Attributable earnings advanced sharply from £4 million to £9.3 million, helped by a significantly lower tax charge. The rate was 6 per

Beazer stake reaches 57%

lion) battle for control of Koppers, the US aggregates group, now awaits only the approval of the US courts after his construction group gained control of 57 per cent of the Koppers shares.

Shareholders rushed to accept Beazer's tender offer by its closing date of midnight on Friday, New York time.

By the deadline, Beazer and its advisers, Shearson Lehman and County NatWest, were able to claim acceptances for almost 14 million common shares, representing more than half the outstanding shares not owned by Beazer.

ferred shares, winning accep-tances for 75 per cent of the outstanding stock. Beazer now controls almost 57 per cent of is certain to secure much of cent, compared to 34 per cent | the rest. The \$60 per share tender offer has been extended

to midnight on Friday.

The result vindicates Mr Beazer's judgement that what-ever obstacles Koppers put forward the terms represented fair value and would appeal to shareholders. Koppers appeared to be winning the fight in terms of public opinion. The Mayor of Pittsburgh threatened sanctions against

were criticized in the early

stages of the battle for raising

the price twice without secur-

ing concessions from the

But this strategy had the

Koppers management.

American Express, the parent company of Shearson Leh-man, and Koppers manipu-

lated the rising tide of US bostility to foreign bidders. Mr Beazer and his advisers

Beazer fared even better among the holders of pre-Koppers' common stock and

withdrawal by Beazer. Much of the stock passed to arbitrageurs who foresaw that Koppers would either fall to Beazer or a white knight.

But Beazer still has to await the outcome of three court battles before taking control of the Pittsburgh company. Beazer is trying to unscramble the poison pill" elements in Koppers defensive strategy as plaintiff in a Delaware suit.

There is a wrangle between state and federal regulators over anti-trust aspects of the bid in California. Finally, it has to overcome a court challenge in Pittsburgh. But Beazer was confident it would satisfy the courts in due

• Farmers Group, the Los Angeles insurer under siege from a \$4.5 billion bid from BAT, has called off discussions about a possible leveraged buyout. Farmers said it effect of de-stabilizing the was still exploring alter-Koppers share register as natives, but believed its inmany long-term holders took dependence was the best their profits rather than risk a course for shareholders.

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Waiting for the end of a bizarre saga

By Graham Searjeant Financial Editor

One of the City's most bizarre bid tussles could finally reach the nearest it is likely to come to an amicable conclusion this morning. The two board factions of Framlington Group and their biggest shareholder were locked in intense discussions last night in the hope of arriving at an agreement on Throg-morton Trust's £66 million takeover bid

The saga will warn other City groups of the dangers of making hasty mergers, however successful both sides may be. It has also raised the question of whether investors in unit trusts should have a say about changes in management.

The bid was organized by a minority of the Framlington board, led by Mr Bob Seabrook, its deputy chairman, and Mr Paul Loach, who run a subsidiary (TIMS) which manages Throgmorton. But it was viewed as hostile by the group's founders.

meeting of Throgmorton's shareholders

The TIMS team, which joined The talks followed an extraordinary Framlington in a 1986 merger, were

(including its biggest shareholder, the expanding fund management group. But

Prudential) which approved the Mr Stuttaford preferred a loose federa controversial offer without dispute. CCF, the French bank which owns 28 per cent of Framlington, has finally said it wants to accept the offer.

Any agreement is likely to include an improvement in the terms of the convertible loan stock used in the nominal 192p per share offer. Mr Bill Stuttaford, Framlington's

chairman, and Mr Tim Miller, its managing director, have been trying to come up with a new partner ever since CCF indicated last year that it weanted to sell.

That became a search for a white knight after Mr Seabrook and Mr Loach lost patience last month and proposed the bid by Throgmorton. But the bid made the search all but impossible, not least because it would require approval by Throgmorton, which could then cancel its management contract.

ambitious to run an integrated and

tion. Framlington had made its name by giving individual fund managers independence and by low charges. Mr Philip Darwin, a stockbroker close to the original Framlington, made a last-

minute attempt to gain more time by writing to Lord Young, the Trade and Industry Secretary, urging an inquiry. Mr Darwin's letter says that a Throgmorton takeover would probably lead to a change in Framlington's successful unit trust investment policy.

Among the other factors Lord Young might consider, according to Mr Darwin. is the question of the different politics of the two sides. He points out that Mr Stuttaford was once chairman of the Conservative Political Centre while Mr Loach is a Labour councillor for the London Borough of Haringey.

Despite this unusual plea, Lord Young seems unlikely to act. The DTI pointed out yesterday that unit holders had no voting rights in takeover bids under either old or new regulations.

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BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Enlarged RKF boosts profits to £858,000

RKF, the property and engineering to printing group which came to the USM a year ago, made pretax profits of £858,000 in the year to the end of December, against £509,000 the previous year. The group has trebled in size as a result of recent acquisitions, including Grange Press, a quality lithographic printer. Acquisitions last year produced more cost than benefit, but they are exptected to have a radical effect on this year's profits, which the City expects to jump to around £3.5 million.

Following the £7.3 million rights issue last year, Mr Bob Francis, the chairman, says he does not envisage issuing more paper. With year-end gearing of 20 per cent and strongly positive cash flow, the company has the finances to make acquisitions for cash. The final dividend was 1.5p, taking the

Fairbriar pays How Group £7m for sites

Fairbriar, the residential property developer, has acquired six further sites for a total of £7 million. Three of the purchases, at Ringwood, Hampshire, Weymouth, Dorset, and Purley, Surrey, will go to its Carehome Development retirement homes subsidiary. The others include a commercial site at Marchwood, Hampshire, and the former Dingle store at Dorchester.

tops forecast How Group, the Birming-

ham beating and engineering specialist which came to the market via a placing last December, made pretax profits of £4.4 million in the year to the end of December against £3.3 million in the previous year. How forecast that it would make at least £4 million. Current order books are strong. The final divi-dend — a maiden payment —

Hawthorn Leslie rises

Hawthorn Leslie, the revamped leisure and electrical products group which came to the USM in February last year after the reverse takeover of Adam Leisure, the electronics game maker, reported a 60 per cent rise in pretax profits to £1.68 million in the half year to February 28. Turnover grew by 28 per cent to £26.93 million. An interim dividend of 0.2p

Mr Remo Dipre, the chairman, said: "The group has vigorously followed its policy of expansion, both organically and by acquisition."

Lyles spins higher profit

S Lyles, the carpet yarn spinner and dyer, lifted pretax profits in the half year to end-December to £420,000 from £266,000 last time, on turnover of £9.7 million (£7.7 million). The extensive capital expenditure programme is on schedule and a new blending plant at Calder Bank Mills will be in opera-tion this summer. The in-terim dividend was raised to 1.5p from 1.375p.

Share placing tor agency

James Capel, the broker to Yellowhammer, the advertising agency, has conditionally placed 280,000 new shares in the company at 160p to finance the acquisition of Newstech Communications from the Chloride Group. Newstech is an advertising and marketing company serving the electronic components industry. An initial consideration of £600,000 included £200,000 cash.

On Line purchase

Sintrom, the Reading, Berkshire, maker of computer peripherals, is expanding its third party maintenance subsidiary Sysmatic, with the acquisition for a maximum of £2.5 million of the On Line Group, which installs fibre-optic cable to link computer systems. On Line made pretax profits in the year to the end of March of £160,000 on turnover of £1.4 million.

Under the deal, which is conditional on Sintrom shareholders' approval, the company will pay £1 million cash immediately, with a second payment in 1991 in shares or cash depending on profits.

Lilleshall in £675,000 buy hit Feedex

Lilleshall Company, the Feedex Agricultural In-steel distributor led by Mr dustries is still suffering ın Leek, has b iphi Ideal Williams, the plastics and aluminium windows business, from the McKechnie engineering group for £675,000. The deal creates a new division for Lilleshall, making building products. Sales at Ideal Williams. are running at about £2.5 million a year.

EEC policies

from the effects of EEA policies on British feed and pig producers but says that its grain trading activities have been doing well. The animal feedstuffs group reports a rise in pretax profits for last year from £2.66 million to £3.16 million on a turnover of £143 million. The total dividend is held at 1.5p.

giant of the retail trade. Its dismal trading record has made it the speculators'

favourite bid target. But the mere probability that it will report lower profits when it announces its results for the year to March 31 in June does not necessarily signal its imminent demise analysts are looking for pretax profits to fall by £8 million to £115 million. It beat off Benlox's unwelcome bid after reporting lower interim

The business problems are not only those of integration. Virtually every company in the Storehouse group has its own difficulties

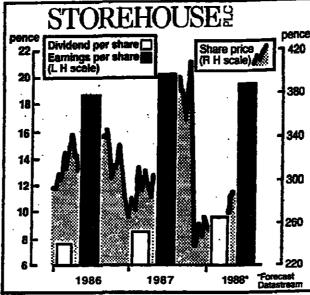
profits.

Most intractable is BHS. whose prospects are uninspir-ing rather than completely inadequate. BHS contributes 55 per cent of group profits, but it needs new merchandise, better pricing and more ag-gressive marketing to make the best use of its prime selling

Mothercare, with its strong The challenge facing Mich-brand name, is still not cap-italizing on its past success. Its executive, when he takes the warehouse and distribution problems seem largely to have been solved, but Mothercare no longer has the market to itself, and it remains to be seen how far customer loyalty has been tested. Mothercare's profit contribution is forecast to fall this year from £34.9 million (27 per cent) to £25.6 million (19 per cent).

Habitat is a tale of missed opportunities. Having failed to spot the trend to out-oftown furniture stores, it is revalued. being left behind in the very market it created. With Marks

Build-up of trouble in Storehouse



stores look increasingly ana-

Richards and its recently acquired menswear counterpart, Blazer, are both doing well. Richards' profits contribution is expected to more than double this year from £3.9 million to £8.6 million.

reins on June 1, the day before the preliminary announce-ment, is either to integrate BHS properly, or sell it.

believe he will not be given the chance to do either. The share price has now risen to 278p, 62p above the year's low. Storehouse's leasehold properties have not been revalued since 1960 and now stand at 91p a share. They could be worth 150p a share if

erous of earnings multiples, it

pulis off its aim of adding an extra leg com syrup, to its operations and at the same time moving more deeply into the US market. First, there is a maze of legal

obstacles set up by the Staley management to fend off predators. These include all the fashionable permutations of poison pills, golden para-chutes, and shark repellants which make the practice of corporate law in the US a hicrative pursuit. Staley's management is also

dangling the carrot to shareholders of substantial extra dividends following a recapitalization, a partial breakup of the company, a leveraged buyout or another of the escape plans now standard in the armoury of US boardroom defence strategies. Thirdly, Tate & Lyle has to overcome the xenophobia which is becoming a feature of US bids by foreign companies.

On Wall Street, however, The tortuous progress of BAT's £2.5 billion offer for the analysts feel that, sooner or later, Tate & Lyle has an excellent chance of success, provided it is patient. Staley's food servicing business, which Tate & Lyle intends to sell if its bid is successful, is expected to attract considerable interest from a number of rival bidders. Salomon Brothers analysts say few of these bidders will wish to become involved with Tate in a battle for the whole company.

banks taking part. The terms were essentially those under which Tate & Lyle agreed the intial facility from Chase Davies & Newman group except that the margin For all its gloomy prognosticaover Libor falls from 38 per tions, Davies & Newman Holdings has done it again. The group, best known for its Dancent to 1/4 per cent once net that is when the deal is signed,

problem areas to be negotiated maintain Dan-Air's position before the British conpany after an exceptional 1986.

As a result, when it reported pretax profits up 44 per cent to £9.6 million, the market was caught napping. A drop in the tax charge caused earnings per share to rise even more, by 58 per cent to 99.2p, and the share price quickly added 70p to 490p.

From its modest beginnings 35 years ago, Dan-Air has built up a fleet of more than 50 aircraft, which carried 5.48 million passengers last year, one million of whom were on scheduled flights with the balance on charters.

The number of hours flown last year dropped from 132,000 to 123,000, yet the company carried 3.3 per cent more passengers, a capacity utilization rate of 84 per cent. A full year's contribution from its first 336-seat Airbus

has helped profits. However, the other significant factor has been the strength of sterling, especially against the dollar. The group has been easing

up on some less profitable scheduled routes. For instance, London to Belfast is a very competitive route with high load factors but low prices. Elsewhere, it is building up is South-of-France operations.

It is competing hard from some of the former British Caledonian routes out of Gatwick. The hearings for the Gatwick to Paris licence are held this week, followed by Nice, Manchester, Aberdeen and Edinburgh in the summer. Meanwhile, it will be taking delivery of its second Airbus and four more Boeing jets this

year, taking the total to 40. Even after yesterday's price rise, the historic p/e multiple Air operations, expressed its is a mere 4.9 times. Even on usual caution at the start of maintained earnings, the last year, seeking only to shares look undervalued.

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Tate & Lyle

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million) bid for Staley should

be seen as merely the end of

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Californian insurance com-

pany Farmers is just one straw

in the wind. Even Brian Beazer's bid for Koppers is not

finally settled even though the

British group owns or has

pledges for well over half

Fixing the loan agreement for Staley apparently went

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and Spencer and others is hard to come up with a price competing out of town, Habi- of more than 300p a share, tat's predominately high street leaving little to go for.

Brain drain hits HK

Industrial development chief for Ulster resigns

Mr John McAllister, the chief had been tipped to become its executive of the Northern Ireland Industrial Development Board, has resigned (Robert Rodwell writes).

He wili hand over to Mr Tony Hopkins, his deputy, at the end of May, to move to a new job in the private sector.

Mr McAllister, aged 46 and a career civil servant, has long been one of the leading figures in the NI Civil Service and

head within the next decade. His resignation comes only

two weeks after the IDB announced its best-ever annual results, having promoted 5,300 new jobs Mr Tony Hopkins, whose

promotion as successor was confirmed by the IDB yes-terday, has been deputy chief executive since the board's

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when the Crown Colony will become part of China,

Banks have been forced to boost pay to hold on to employees, especially in the foreign exchange and money market sectors, and some are offering bonuses to encourage employees to recruit friends and relatives.

First Pacific Bank gives HK\$1,000 (£68) to an employee who helps recruit a clerk or messenger, and HK\$5,000 if they can bring in an assistant vice-president. Standard Chartered Bank also pays its employees a HK\$1,000 bonus if they help

But none of this is helping to stem the flow. The Hong-kong and Shanghai Bank said 8 per cent of its 12,000 or so local staff emigrated last year, compared with 3 per cent in 1986.

"Those who have left are

Hong Kong's financial sector Pavlou, the bank's chief trea- Colony's 64,000-strong bankis facing a crippling brain ing workforce. Mr QW Lee, the chairman

sury manager. "Dealers are being sought after worldwide. drain in the run-up to 1997, and the Hong Kong Chinese are probably the brightest and best-trained of all the dealers

in the world," he added. Last year, 56 Hongkong Bank executives, or 8.3 per cent, emigrated, mainly to Canada and Australia. Some 20 of its 610 executives emi-

> Only seven local executives have left Hongkong Bank in the first three months of this year, but many more have applied and are likely to hand in their notice within the next

"I am very concerned about ham, executive director of the Hongkong Bank. "It is a major issue for all the people in Hong Kong government, airlines, financial organizations . . . everyone.'

The Hongkong Bank, and its subsidiary Hang Seng among the most experienced and the best," said Mr Chris about a quarter of the Crown

tries, but declined to reveal any figures. The Hong Kong head of retail banking for a US bank

of Hang Seng Bank, admitted

his bank had also lost an

increasing number of its man-

agement team to other coun-

said emigration of his local employees had soared since the second quarter of last year. He said that in the bank's retail operation alone, 31 of its 260 local officers left last year to live abroad. By comparison, the bank lost just five retail local officers in 1986.

"We were lucky in a way because we had been streamlining our operation anyway. so the loss has not affected us as much as it would have otherwise," he said. The banking labour short-

age is not confined to executive levels. Like all industries, the banks are suffering from Hong Kong's chronic staff shortages, with unem-ployment now running at below 2 per cent.

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More news of executive pay cuts: Sir Owen Green, chairman of industrial conglomerate BTR, received a mere £225,000 last year - down from £260,000 in 1986. The reduction reflects the fact that he is no longer chief executive

New Court.

as well as chairman.

Farnell profits rise to £25m but accounts are qualified

Famel Electronics, the Leeds electronics manufacturer and producer, yesterday reported prefax profits 9.6 per cent higher at £25.71 million in the nance director, said the value would have risen by just 3.4 of its cash mountain had been failing to keep pace with the market capitalizations of companies it was considering year to end-January, against £23.45 million the previous

The broadly-based portfolio it acquired had lost about £2.2 million in value by the finan-But the result was marred by a dispute between Farnell cial year-end because of the and its auditors, which will market crash.

mean the year's report and accounts will be qualified.

Farnell invested just short

of £10 million in the stock

market in August and September as part of its acquisition

Names to

pay £20m

with more

to come

By Our City Staff

A total of 1,614 Lloyd's names

- including Lord Rothermere.

Lord Lichfield, Mr Robert Maxwell and Mr Rocco Forte

- have to pay between £20 million and £30 million to

fund claims relating to

asbestosis and pollution in the

A letter from RHM Outh-

waite (Underwriting Agenc-

ies) to names on syndicates

317 and 661 warned that the

latest cash call, following one

for £10 million a year ago, will

The cash call - for an

average £15,500 per name -

represents between 50 and 75

per cent of premium income.

Recent estimates in the mar-

ket were for a cash call of at

Mr Maurice Hussey, the

Outhwaite chairman, also told

names the syndicates would

show a small profit in the 1985

The money will be added to

existing reserves of £248 mil-

lion, built up to meet claims

from policies Outhwaite wrote

in 1982 insuring the liabilities

Outhwaite has been contest-

ing claims made under the 32

"run-off reinsurance" policies it wrote. Last week, it reached

a settlement with one syn-

dicate, paying \$50 million (£26 million) to cover all

claims and to cap off any further liability.

Although the settlement could pave the way for a wider

accord, some of the syndicates which bought the policies for

their unlimited cover are

unwilling to agree to a settle-

ment which caps Outhwaite's

liabilities and exposes them to

of other Lloyd's syndicates.

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not be the last.

least £40 million.

year of account.

This was taken as a £1.47 million extraordinary item, less tax relief, against the advice of the auditor, Sagar Croudson of Leeds, which wanted it to go "above the line". If the company had Mr Henry Elstone, the fi- followed this advice, profits

Mr Elstone defended the company's position. "The assets, our cash, were depleted by £2 million, but it didn't affect our trading "

visions showing an increase.

A final dividend of 2p It was an important point of principle that the price-earnmakes a total of 3.5p, up 25 ings multiple should not be per cent on last time. 'artificially depressed" by the loss, he added.

The acquisition programme would continue, and talks were being held with one private group with US interests, which would involve spending about £25 million. cable, wire, printed circuits In the last financial year the

core electronic component distribution business contrib-uted £17.93 million pretax. Against this, manufacturing put in £5.44 million and consumer goods distribution £232,000, with all big di-

● Zero Defects Inc of Idaho is to set up in Scotland, provid-ing 100 jobs (writes Kerry Gill). The US group is to open a plant at Livingston, West Lothian, where it will produce

Dominion makes an offer for remainder of FFL

By Our City Staff Dominion International Group, the financial services company, is making an agreed offer for the 72 per cent of FFL. Holdings it does not already own.

The offer of five Dominion shares for each FFL share values the company at £13.65 million. Dominion is also offering to buy £6.4 million worth of the total £11 million unsecured loan stock. Dominion, which already

has acceptances for 61 per cent of the shares, took a 24 per cent interest in February and subsequently raised its stake to 28.2 per cent.

Prestwick is

back in black

at half time

Prestwick Holdings, which

claims to be Western Europe's

largest maker of printed-cir-cuit boards, returned to profits in the first half to the end of

January, earning £309,000 at

the pretax level against a loss

The improvement came

from productivity gains and price increases, said Mr Alastair McKie, the finance

The company, which made

of £522,000 last time.



Lewinsohn: strategic fit Mr Max Lewinsohn, the

company in its field was ideally placed to take advantage of the growing demand for completion guarantees fuelled by the video, cable and satellite television markets.

Mr Nigel Cayzer, the chair-man of FFL, and Mr Rupert Galliers-Pratt, a director of FFL and chairman of pawnbroker Harvey & Thompson, will join the Dominion board.

FFL reported pretax profits of £4.3 million in the year to June 30. Dominion has forecast an unchanged final dividend of 3p net for the year to

Parkway buying three more firms

By Joe Joseph

Parkway Group, the USMquoted press services company, which has been making aquisitions at an average rate of two a month over the past eight months, is expanding still further. It is buying two colour laboratories in the United States, and another British printer. The total bill, of about £9.6 million, will be met in cash and shares.

Mr John McKimmie, the pretax losses in the past two chairman and chief executive financial years, has not paid of Parkway, which supplies any dividend since 1986. No photocomposition, repropayout has been announced for the first half. graphic and other pre-press services, for the advertising industry in particular, said: "In the US we now have a Prestwick is now trading profitably and borrowings have been cut from more than very strong presence on both £10 million at the financial east and west coasts and are year-end to just above £7 international market leader in specialized colour laboratory work for marketing At the trading level, a loss of and related businesses." He £604,000 last time was converted into profits of £662,000 in the first half. said further US expansion was

planned.

that includes several of Madison Avenue's leading advertis-ing agencies. For \$4.25 million (£2.26 million), Parkway is taking over a company that made pretax profits of \$423,000 on turnover of £1.96 million in the year to June

Parkway is also spending £3.45 million to purchase GCW Colourprint, a highquality printer based in London. GCW made pretax profits of £316,000 on turnover of £2.28 million in the year to September.

Of its two latest American purchases, TRP Slavin is a New York high-quality colour laboratory with a client list

Parkway is also paying \$5.5 million for Newell, a Californian colour laboratory which specializes in prints and slides for exhibition work, and which made pretax profits in calendar 1987 of \$161,000 on turnover of \$9.51 million.

the chance to pick up part of the Epic portfolio.

TSB to manage French

By Richard Thomson Banking Correspondent

fund

The TSB Group yesterday announced its first step towards a greater involvement in Europe by the time European financial markets open up in 1992. In a link-up with the French savings banks it will help manage a property investment fund, a third of which will be invested in

The Pierre Ecureuil fund worth £47 million, will receive investment advice and banking facilities in Britain from the TSB.

The TSB says the arrangement illustrates the way in which it intends to use its contacts with the European savings banks as a way of creating oportunities in the European market Mr Philip Charlton, the

chief executive, said: "The deal highlights one of the TSB's hidden assets — our excellent relationship with the European savings banks, built up over the years prior to our flotation in 1986. This relationship gives us a head start in the race for 1992."

The French savings banks comprise one of the country's largest financial networks with total deposits of FFr743 bil-lion (£69 billion). They handle 30 million customer accounts, representing about a third of France's personal savings, through 5,500 branches.

Epic takeover battle hinges on UK Land

The fate of Estates Property Investment Company, caught in the middle of a two-way takeover battle, could be decided by the much smaller UK

The 260p-a-share final offer from Peachey Property Cor-poration for Epic expires to-day. Peachey, which speaks for 33 per cent of Epic, has said it will hold on to its stake.

This is in response to a rival bid worth 270p from Giltvote, a consortium headed by Mr Stephan Wingate, the property developer. Yesterday he extended his offer until May 18. Giltvote has so far acquired shares and acceptances totalling 34.5 per cent.

Mr Colin Tett, the chairman of UK Land which has just above 6 per cent of Epic, admitted that one of options was pledging his shares to Giltvote in return for

COMMENT David Brewerton

Difficult responsibility ahead for Barclays

John Quinton and his management team at Barclays Bank do not have to wait until tomorrow to know whether or not shareholders will approve the largest ever rights issue from a bank: they will, by an overwhelming majority. They will not have to wait, either, to know whether or not the rights issue will be taken up by shareholders:

But that does not mean, by any means, that Barclays has wholehearted support in the £921 million rights issue. Barclays has done little, in recent years, to earn the admiration of its shareholders, a situation reflected in the persistent underperformance of the shares compared with the banking sector until the relative bottom last year. The latest rights issue, dragging in its wake a dilution in earnings per share, is unlikely in the short term to reverse the relative performances.

That said, the 1987 results did point to a revival in the group's returns especially in UK banking, and it is on this upturn that the management is hoping to build with the help of the best part of a billion pounds of fresh equity. The management sees opportunities for growth opening up, and is demanding that the chances should not be lost because of inadequate capital. The growth is largely domestic, and in the areas which Barclays knows best: business finance and retail operations, in particular home mortgages. The group already has a £5.5 billion mortgage book, and sees the take-off in house prices which has been experienced in the south spreading steadily northwards. It is determined to be part of it.

Mortgage business does, of course, generate the opportunity to earn fees from other services, such as insurance and personal loans. It also generates a very high level of cash flow. In order to be able to keep the mortgage book growing, it needs the equity base which it can gear up. But it is questionable whether shareholders should be asked to finance Barclays' foray into building society country, when the building societies are coming along the same road in the opposite direction without the soft louch of shareholders' finance.

Institutional shareholders are likely to remember that Barclays' last dash for growth produced an unacceptably high level of bad debts, and the management is likely to have been closely questioned about the safeguards built into current plans. The possibility (and it was never more than that) of a shareholder revolt over the rights issue has had one benefit, in persuading Barclays to get closer to its shareholders. The process will continue today.

Overseas shareholders have probably seen more of Barclays in the last vear than its UK investors, following the roadshows in the United States and Japan which raised £220 million of capital a year ago. They have been honoured with a return visit to explain the rights issue, where the US institutions were as intrigued by the mechanics of a deep discount rights issue as they were about the reasons for it. Barclays has been smart in opting

for the deep discount rights, which means the issue has not been underwritten, another source of irritation for institutions accustomed to picking up underwriting commissions. The issue cannot "fail", but the management has accepted a responsibility for improving the bank's performance which will be difficult, and might be impossible, to discharge.

Inflation still top priority

The Treasury and Civil Service Select Committee's latest report on the Budget is long on analysis but short on recommendation. It castigates the Government for making slow progress in bringing down inflation, but is in two minds about threatening industry's competitiveness by allowing the pound to rise. It rejects market intervention for anything more than smoothing purposes, but points out that lower interest rates could threaten the fight against inflation.

Arguably, the trading range established for the pound last year of about DM2.90-DM3.00 was too low and presented an inadequate counter-inflationary discipline to industry. But it provided a clear framework which succeeded in influencing expectations about the Government's monetary objectives. The almost open warfare between Number 10 and Number 11

accompanying the transfer from one range for the pound to another has called the whole policy into question.

Without some kind of rule, monetary policy is liable to deteriorate into the somewhat obscure pragmatism" criticized by the Committee. The Committee is right that large-scale intervention cannot be used to influence the underlying trends of exchange rates, and governments should not try.

In the short term, there are various smoothing devices open to the authorities, including the television interview. Mr Lawson's weekend broadcast yesterday knocked a pfennig off the pound, which now looks unlikely to make much progress until the March trade figures are announced on Friday. In the longer term, the task must be to re-establish clear policy guidelines which convince markets that the fight against inflation still comes first.

Wealth that is staked on ignorance

future claims.

By Alison Eadie Lloyd's members - or names - who volunteer for unlimited liability when staking their wealth to underwrite the insurance business, often do so with little or no knowledge of the insurance market or of the records of the syndicates

they are joining. More information has become available as a result of the reform programme at Lloyd's, which ensures that all syndicate accounts are properly audited and open to public scrutiny. League tables of syndicate results are also

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Investment Group, Britain's largest private-client stock-

tional clients will, however.

continue to deal exclusively with London. "We have been

reorganizing our settlement and clearing operations over

the past year and have come to

the conclusion that settlement

in London is very expensive

and in current markets unsustainable," says Woodhead.

"We are currently putting new technology into our Cardiff office and so it makes sense to

handle more of it from there.

However, according to Mr Peter Uttley and Mr Christian Brann, Lloyd's members, names still lack comparative information, enabling them to judge how both they and the agents who place them on syndicates were doing against the market as a whole.

prepared a report specifically

million.

published by Chatset Ltd and tailored to each name's needs. been hostility to his venture the Association of Lloyd's It aims to show names how from agents who object to his

Mr Uttley, retired director of insurance and pensions for Tesco and formerly underwriter for the Allstate Insurance Company of Canada, has

their syndicates have performed over five years, how the syndicates to which their agents have access have performed, and how the active syndicates in Lloyd's have

Mr Uttley says the report should arm names with the information needed for a challenge if either the agent's syndicates have not been performing well or the names have not been getting on the better syndicates.

writing to "their names", giving details of what he is offering.

The personalised report costs £89. At the moment, only the accounts up to the 1984 accounting year are published. Lloyd's accounts three

The 1985 syndicate results should be available by July. Underwriters Advisory Services Ltd, Copperwood, New Road, Digswell, Welwyn, Hertfordshire, Tel (043871) 4078.

Mr Uttley says there has

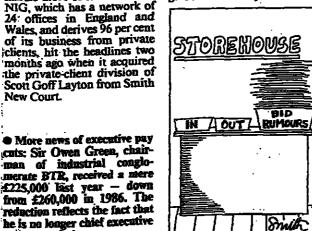
THE TIMES CITY DIARY

I'm over the wall, Brian broking group, is closing down two-thirds of its London back Glaxo is clearly embarrassed.

Either that, or one of its managers is being held, bound office, and making a dozen or more people redundant. As the redundancy notices went out yesterday, the firm's chief executive, Robin Woodhead, told me that settlement for all its inter-broker and talisman dealings would, from May 9, be handled by its Cardiff office. Private and institutional clients will, however. the prison by the Home Office

by the opposing team Amble Dock. The champious received both a team cup and individual medals from sponsors Glaxo. But company representatives were, I hear, absent. And no one was available for comment yesterday. Adding to the intrigue, the secretary to factory manager John Teward told me: "I think he is going to be tied up all day."

Drop the pilot Most companies - with some notable exceptions, such as Sotheby's — come to the market only once. Inexperienced in the ways of the stock market, they need their merchant bankers, stockbrokers, lawyers and accountants to guide them safely out of the



haven of private ownership. It is surprising, therefore, with all this so-called professional assistance, to discover in a survey of "new entrants to listing" for Spicer & Oppen-heim, that half of all new entrants would, with the benefit of hindsight, have done things differently. And what was the one thing most of them would have done differently? They would have

SIB-ling Let us hope that the City's craze for acronyms does not spread to the Securities and Investments Board. It could prove embarrassing for Lord Young the Trade and Industry Secretary, who on Thursday will be unveiling the board's new telephone in-formation service at British Telecom's headquarters in Newgate Street. It is to be known as the Central Register of Authorized Persons.

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Filofax on floppy

While some of us would not be

seen dead with anything even remotely resembling a Filofax personal organizer, those who do use them clearly become addicted. Indeed their fear of losing them is so great that they now insure them against fire, flood, theft, loss or hyper-active house pets. Alter-natively, some Filofaxes now carry reward certificates of up to £500 to ensure, in case of loss, that they are returned to their owners. And for still further protection an organizer can also be duplicated. New software — called System Portex - on sale in Britain enables users to store their Filofaxes in their personal computers. Addresses typed in at random are sorted into alphabetical order and can then be printed out on Filofaxsize binder paper, holes and all. Executives too busy to bother typing all that information into a computer and then updating it can subscribe to another service, Personal Backup, which types address books (no matter how bad the handwriting) into a computer, different updates them as often as clients wish, and can provide duplicates within 24 hours.

> • Tim Congdon, the chief UK economist at Shearson Lebman, is nothing if not catholic in his literary tastes. The list of sources for his latest bible of doom, The Debt Threat, incindes Joseph Courad's novel Nostromo, Ford Maddox Ford's Parade's End, and five pages from a magazine article by the Latin American nov-elist, Octavio Paz.

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By Martin Waller

A-Day **RULE CHANGES AND DEFERRALS**

The Securities and Investments Board ('SIB') has recently published proposals for changes and deferrals of the SIB Rules. The period for consultation on these proposals has only just ended. New arrangements must be in force on 29 April ('A-Day'). IMRO Members need to know where they stand.

IMRO Members:

DEFERRED APPLICATION OF RULES:

IMRO will broadly match all transitional arrangements in the SIB rules - see SIB's Consultative Documents - with the exception of Chapter V of the IMRO Rules.

AMENDMENTS TO RULES:

Changes to be made by SIB in their Rules, as a result of the consultations just ended, will be reflected in the IMRO Rules where they are applicable to IMRO Members.

COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES:

The relevant Regulations and corresponding SIB Rules will be incorporated in the IMRO Rules and much of Chapters III and IV disapplied. All will be deferred as under A above.

MEMBERS SUBJECT TO S.191 OF THE ACT:

A limited special regime which omits Chapters II, III and IV and most of V, and applies an appropriate version of Best Advice/Execution, will come into force (subject to A above) on A-Day.

CORPORATE AND SOLE TRUSTEES:

A new Chapter of the IMRO Rules, largely in substitution for existing Chapters II to VIII inclusive, is being developed. Its application, together with the application of any other IMRO Rules, will be deferred until 1 October.

The above is an outline of the IMRO arrangements. A full text will be posted to all Members on Thursday 28 April.

Centre Point 26 April 1988

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Nobody has yet suggested that scent on a five-year contract.

it could mean the end as we know it of Charlotte Square, the heart of Edinburgh's finan-cial district. But Friday's victory for a concert party of experienced US corporate raiders in their bid to have the £110 million Crescent Japan Investment Trust liquidated and its assets transferred to a unit trust, will have farreaching implications for the

Within 60 days shareholders will be able to vote on the matter, with the Americans apparently well placed to win the 75 per cent majority

investment industry.

Grace-Pinto and Associates, New York group of investors with links to the brokerage firm, Sterling, Grace, bought a handful of shares in Crescent Japan last summer. It started building up a substantial stake after the October crash and now holds 21 per cent.

Claiming substantial underperformance by the Edin-burgh-based trust, Grace-Pinto moved in to realize the discount to net assets at which Crescent was trading.

The Americans have never denied they were anything but "discount strippers," keen only on short-term gains.

To counter these aims, Crescent raised the spectre of short-termism," claiming long-term performance and the building of successful companies to create lasting values was preferable to a corporate smash-and-grab raid.

The waters were muddied by three factors. First, the apparent joint role of Edinburgh merchant bank Nobie Grossart, adviser to Crescent. Its managing director, Mr Angus Grossart, is also chairman of Edinburgh Fund Managers, which manages Cre-

The second was the remuncration package paid to EFM.

Its annual fees were raised in January, after the corporate raiders had been sighted, to 0.75 per cent a year.

If a trust is forced to unitize. encumbent management can normally claim the full contract fee. This would cost Crescent 3.75 per cent of net assets, thus lowering the amount available to be handed out to shareholders and making the whole idea

While suggesting that about half this pay-off would be more appropriate, the Americans have claimed this remuneration package amounts to a "poison pill."

They complained to the Takeover Panel, which sidestepped the issue by claiming the American proposal did not amount to a full takeover.

The third worry for the Americans is that, put bluntly, there is no impetus for the Crescent board to do a good job in drawing up the unitiza-tion proposals at the next meeting. The worse the deal the directors put on offer, the less likely it is to be accepted.

The two parties are wran-gling about the base discount that can be achieved on conversion to a unit trust. When pressed on this at

Friday's meeting, the trust chairman, Mr Alan McInroy, said he could see little purpose at this stage in "going into mathematical details." Faced with this, the Ameri-

cans asked to be invited into the discussions which would lead to the unitization proposals being drawn up, to ensure shareholders' interests were best protected. This was

The Crescent board has appreciation of about 10 per



of the American share buying done just after the crash, they have already benefited.

However, the board made the fair decision to go very liquid on the Japanese market after the crash and so lost out on the subsequent recovery.

While conceding this might have cost the trust a capital

pointed out that, with the bulk cent, Mr McInroy has said a total meltdown could have clipped its total value by 50 or even 70 per cent, had it happened.

The only small shareholder at the meeting to raise the issue - or indeed any other apparently accepted the point.

But it is increasingly un-likely that this laudable loyalty on the part of the committed small shareholder firepower of the bigger battalions in London.

The Scottish lobby, as represented by Professor Jack Shaw at Scottish Financial Enter-

able cry for a gathering of the clans to repel the raiders. But Friday's voting figures, as highlighted by Mr McInroy himself, show that of the shareholders voting against the board, six were in the top 10 list of institutional shareholders, including the three

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These six accounted for 97 per cent of the votes against the board, disregarding the US

Mr McInroy interprets this as imposing a moral duty on the big battalions to change their minds and support the small holder.

But it can just as easily be read as indicating the battle was virtually lost when shareholders met.

None of the big institutions turned up on Friday, prefer-ring to vote by proxy, aithough the US concert party was well represented. Two votes in three favoured ending Crescent Japan's status as an investment company.

A similar, although slightly lower, proportion wanted the unitization proposals drawn up. There is no compelling reason, given Friday's performance by the board, why any of these should change their

The Americans only need to 2 shake out or convert less than 10 per cent of waivering or uncommitted shareholders to

Meanwhile, Crescent will be in the unfortunate position of having to waive £5 notes in the faces of its shareholders and saying: "You don't want this, do you?"

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

POINTS FROM THE STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN, H.U.A. LAMBERT

RESULTS

The Group's profit for 1987 was £171.5m before tax, the second best figure in our history, but it was much lower than we had hoped given the underlying progress in our business. We would comfortably have improved upon last year's record had it not been for exceptional weather claims in the United Kingdom and exchange rate movements which cost nearly £23m.

THE STORM

The storm of 15th/16th October surpassed in its ferocity any gale in the two-and-threequarter centuries since the Sun Insurance Office was established in 1710. Contingency plans were put into operation to deal with the emergency. In all we have handled about 200,000 claims and no praise could be too high for all our staff involved. But at £128m the cost has been heavy and it is not surprising that we have shown a large underwriting loss at home.

THE CRASH

The turbulence of the autumn of 1987 demonstrated the comfort to be derived by policyholders and shareholders alike from reliance upon an insurance company whose balance sheet is both strong and liquid. Thanks to the quality of our investment management our solvency margin was still 85% at the end of the year.

OPERATIONS

Sound underwriting has produced good results in a number of our commercial accounts.

The range of our services has now been extended by the provision of health insurance, through Sun Alliance Health First.

We have reshaped our Home operations and set up a strong regional organisation

PREMIUM INCOME	1987 £m	1986 £m
General insurance	1,990.2	1,994.4
Long-term insurance	764.7	704.5
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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT		
General insurance underwriting loss	(107.7)	(78.3)
Long-term insurance profits	30.0	27.3
Investment and other income	249.2	231.4
Profit before taxation	171.5	180.4
Taxation	40.9	43.3
Minority interests	9.7	10.5
Profit attributable to shareholders	120.9	126.6
Dividend	61.2	46.4
Profit retained	59.7	80.2
Earnings per share	61.3p	64.2p
Dividend per share	31.0p	23.5р
		

based upon principal offices equipped with all the expertise necessary to offer a complete service to all our customers.

The Marine and Aviation Divisions have again done well and have contributed substantial underwriting profits.

Overseas our results have continued on the improving path of 1986.

Life and pensions business showed good growth during the year.

The steady development of our business and the overall strength of our Group give us confidence that we shall see sound progress this year.

DIVIDEND

The Directors have resolved to declare a final dividend of 21p per share making 31p per share for 1987 (1986: 23.5p).

MEETING THE CHALLENGES

In the year past, the Group has had to adapt itself to markets in which increasing competition, changes in the relationship between insurers, intermediaries, and clients. and new regulations have made great demands on the professionalism and marketing skills of our staff. They have been equal to the challenge and we look forward with optimism to 1988.

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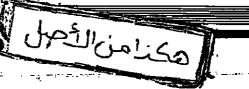
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level for the first time since April 14, brokers said. The Nikkei index climbed The Nikker index climbed 155.08 points, or 0.57 per cent, to 27.213.45, after a high of 27,262.28. It surged 221.51 in half-day trading on Saturday. Rises led falls 1.4 to These six accounted by the board, disregarding their one in volume of 850 million shares against 470 million. Mr McInroy interprets as imposing a moral day the big battalions to the their minds and support small holder.

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momentum continues "We are above 27,000 and going strong," said Mr Ta-daaki Uehara, deputy general manager at Wako Securities. There is also a feeling that domestic institutions will come back."

Nikkei hits a high as

Securities house, credit/lease, airline, electrical, real estate, food, pharmaceutical, auto, rolling stock, non-life insurance, pulp/paper and mining shares led the ad-

Communications, bank, oil and trucking issues declined. While there was little in terms of new factors today, a

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bullish mood, brokers added. "There is no specific bad news, and the domestic economy remains bright," said Mr Takeshi Murakami, the dep-

uty branch manager of Schroder Securities. However, volumes are still moderate in comparison with the inflated turnovers this past March, brokers said.

Participants are awaiting the release today of US first quarter gross national product growth data, as well as the outcome of today's meeting of Opec and non-Opec oil

Dow up 13 in opening dealings

New York (Reuter) - Shares added to their opening gains in early trading yesterday, although brokers reported that many investors were waiting for the gross national product report, out today. Some were buying in the hope of an improvement. The dollar was

The Dow Jones industrial average rose by 13 points to 2,028.09. Rising shares outnumbered falling ones by two

Mobil rose by 14 to 47%. It reported sharply higher firstquarter net profits. On Friday, the Dow average

closed 27.69 higher at 2.015.09.

 Moody's Investors Service has affirmed American Information Technologies' Eurocommercial paper at prime-1. Moody's said that the action reflected the strong operating and financial performance of the company's local telephone subsidiaries.

 Exxon Corporation said that improved refining and marketing and chemical earn-ings left it with a 36 per cent increase in first-quarter profits despite lower crude oil prices. It reported earnings of \$1.45 billion (£771 million) or \$1.06

a share. ■ Washington - Sales of existing single-family homes in March rose by 2.5 per cent from February to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 3.33 million units, the National Association of Realtors said.

Share prices on the London stock market opened the new account on a quiet note yesterday with turnover falling to some of the lowest levels this

By the close of business. fewer than 300 million shares had been traded on the Stock Exchange's computerized trading system (Seaq). Some brokers now fear that another round of job losses may be inevitable unless there is a dramatic pick-up in business.

But any pick-up appears unlikely with the City institutions in their current intransigent mood. They are reluctant to invest in the equity market. at current levels despite a build-up of almost £20 billion in available funds since the crash. Most fund managers want to see the market below these levels before committing their money. Until then, they are prepared to sit it out on the

Once again, it was left to special situations to generate the interest, although con-ditions were described as firm under foot. Bid speculation in Rowntree and Cadbury Schweppes as well as news from RTZ helped to keep the market's head above water.

The FT-SE 100 index wiped out an earlier lead of 6.3 but recovered, helped by a firm start to trading on Wall Street, to close 6.0 points up at 1,777.6. The narrower FT index of 30 shares also recovered from a fall of 4.5 to finish the day 1.7 points up at 1,413.3.

Government securities spent a lacklustre day, worried by the growing threat of inflation following the Chancellor's comment at the weekend and the receding hopes of another early cut in base rates.

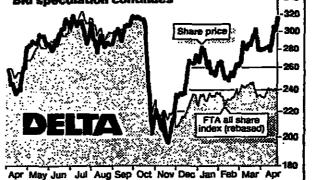
Prices at the longer end of the market closed with losses market closed with losses stretching to almost £4. The British Aerospace

share price responded with enthusiasm to the announcement from Mr George Younger, the Minister of Defence, that Britain was pressing ahead with the development of a European fighter aircraft to replace the Phantom and Jaguar at a cost of £1.7 billion. The RAF is expected to get 250 of the new fighters - for a total production cost of between £6 billion and £7 billion which will provide long-

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Brokers fear further job losses



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County NatWest Woodmac, the broker, likes the look of Carless Capel, the oil explorer, which it rates as a long-term buy. It has recovered strongly. The chares, unchanged at 107p. are fully backed by the company's assets.

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Rolls-Royce was another firm market, climbing by 6p to 115p, after winning a £250 million contract to supply Air

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Europe with engines for its new, 30-strong fleet of 757-200 aircraft. Air Europe has paid £750 million for the aircraft and has asked R-R to supply the engines.

Rowntree, the Aero, Kit Kat, Smarties and Rolo chocolate group, shrugged off last week's profit-taking to close 35p higher at 75!p. During the last account it was the target of a dawn raid by Jacobs Suchard, the Swiss Toblerone chocolate group, which picked up a near 15 per cent stake at

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changed hands as whispers in the market continued to suggest that a European bid for the company would be launched before today's annual meeting in York.

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that the bid would come from Switzerland -- but not from Jacobs Suchard. Most of yesterday's money was on Nes-tles, the rival Swiss group, which is said to have already built up an undisclosed stake

in Rowntree at about the 700p Revived takeover hopes also lifted Northern Foods, by 13p to 265p, after 267p. This year they were chased up to 288p on talk that Mr John Randall, the former chairman of Avana, the food manufac-turer which was bought last year by Ranks Hovis Mac-Dougall, was putting together

bid for the company. The same story was doing the rounds again yesterday with suggestions that either Hanson or Harrisons &

a consortium of investors to

Dealines resume later today in West Trust, the textile group which moved recent acquisition of Newco. The shares suspended at 38p - are expected to reopen at about the 20p level.

Crosfield was stalking the group.

Mr Christopher Haskins, Northern Foods' chairman, is also attending a meeting of the Society of Investment Analvsts today.

Cadbury Schweppes, the food group, jumped 16p to 295p as nearly 3 million shares changed hands.

This perennial takeover favourite made further progress as speculation intens-ified that General Cinema of the US, which is already sitting on a near 18 per cent stake in the group, is about to make a move.

The surprise announcement that RTZ, the mining finance group, has agreed to sell its wholly-owned RTZ Oil & Gas subsidiary to Elf Acquitaine UK, for £308 million cash, started renewed speculative buying of Delta, the electrical equipment, engineering and industrial services company. The close was 27p up at 329p - a new high for the year.

The market quickly came to the conclusion that RTZ would use the cash to bid for Delta. It has been diversifying into engineering and a bid for

would also dovetail nicely into MK Electric, its last big acquisition.

But a spokesman for RTZ said: "We never comment on market rumours One dealer also suggested that Legrand, the French group which lost the battle for MK Electric, could be in-terested in Delta and is reported to have already approached a number of

institutions about their Dealers believe that Delta has been vulnerable to a bid ever since it failed to win control of George H Scholes

last year. Shares of RTZ responded to the oil and gas sale with a rise of 16p to 383p, while London Scottish Marine Oil, the North Sea independent in which RTZ holds a 29.9 per cent stake, advanced by 9p to 364p in sympathy.

Imperial Chemical Industries, Britain's biggest chemical company and the market bellwether, improved 7p to 975p in anticipation Thursday's first-quarter figures.

Barclays de Zoete Wedd, the broker, expects the group to reveal pretax profits of at least £345 million - an increase of 3 per cent. Earnings per share are expected to be about 5 per cent up at about 30p (28.5p).

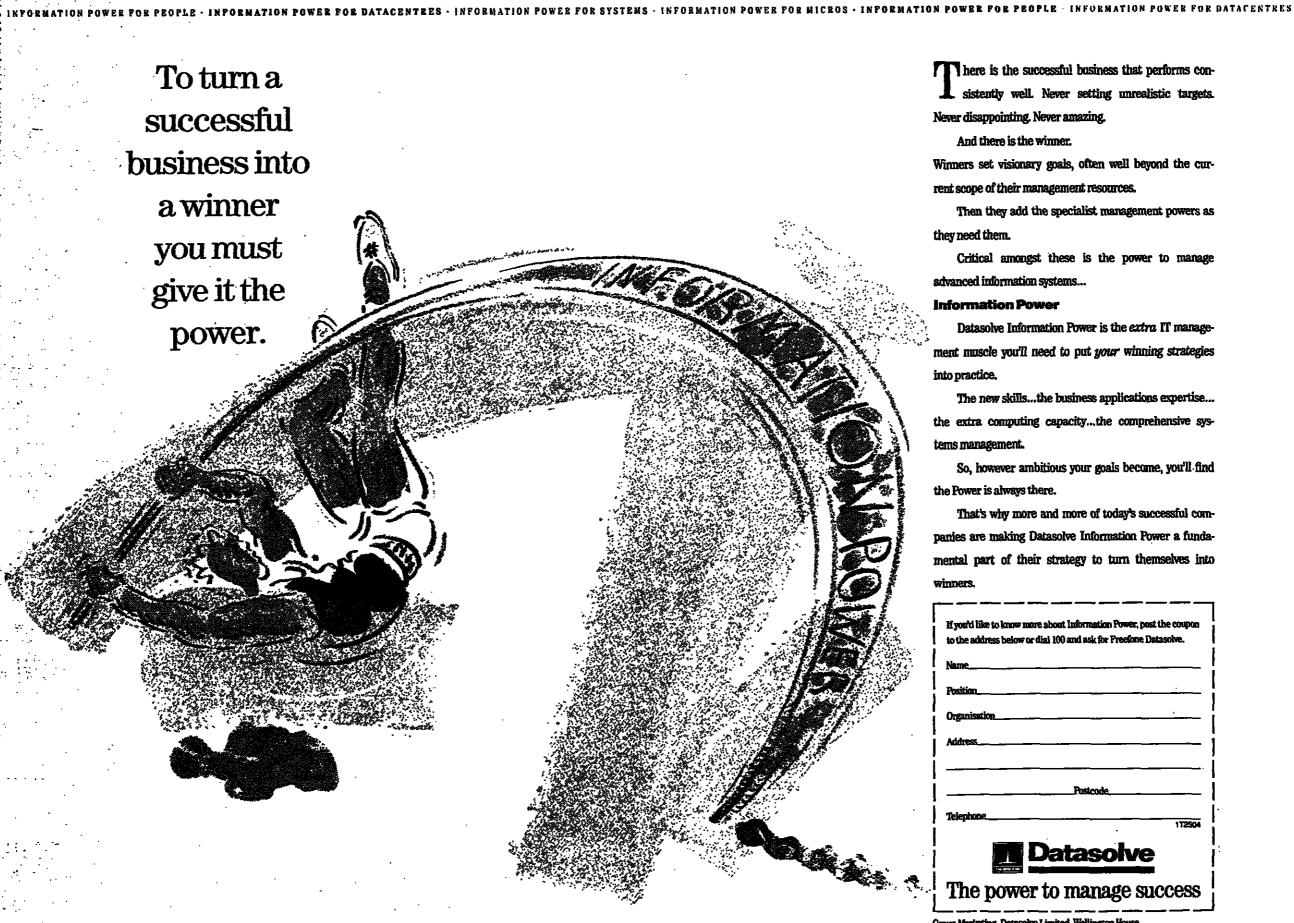
BZW forecasts full-year profits of about £1.4 billion against £1.3 billion - and believes the shares to be undervalued and recommends purchases on a medium-term view.

Cluff Oil, the USM-quoted mining and minerals exploration company, rose by 7p to 107p as County NatWest Woodmac, the broker, advised clients to buy the shares.

Mr Jeff Ware and Mr Robert Sassoon, two analysts at County, believe that the shares are due for a re-rating. Last week's results marked the last year of Cluff as an oil explorer and now gold production is growing and profits will flow through.

They estimate that Cluff is worth a minimum of 165p a share and could even be worth in excess of 200p per share.

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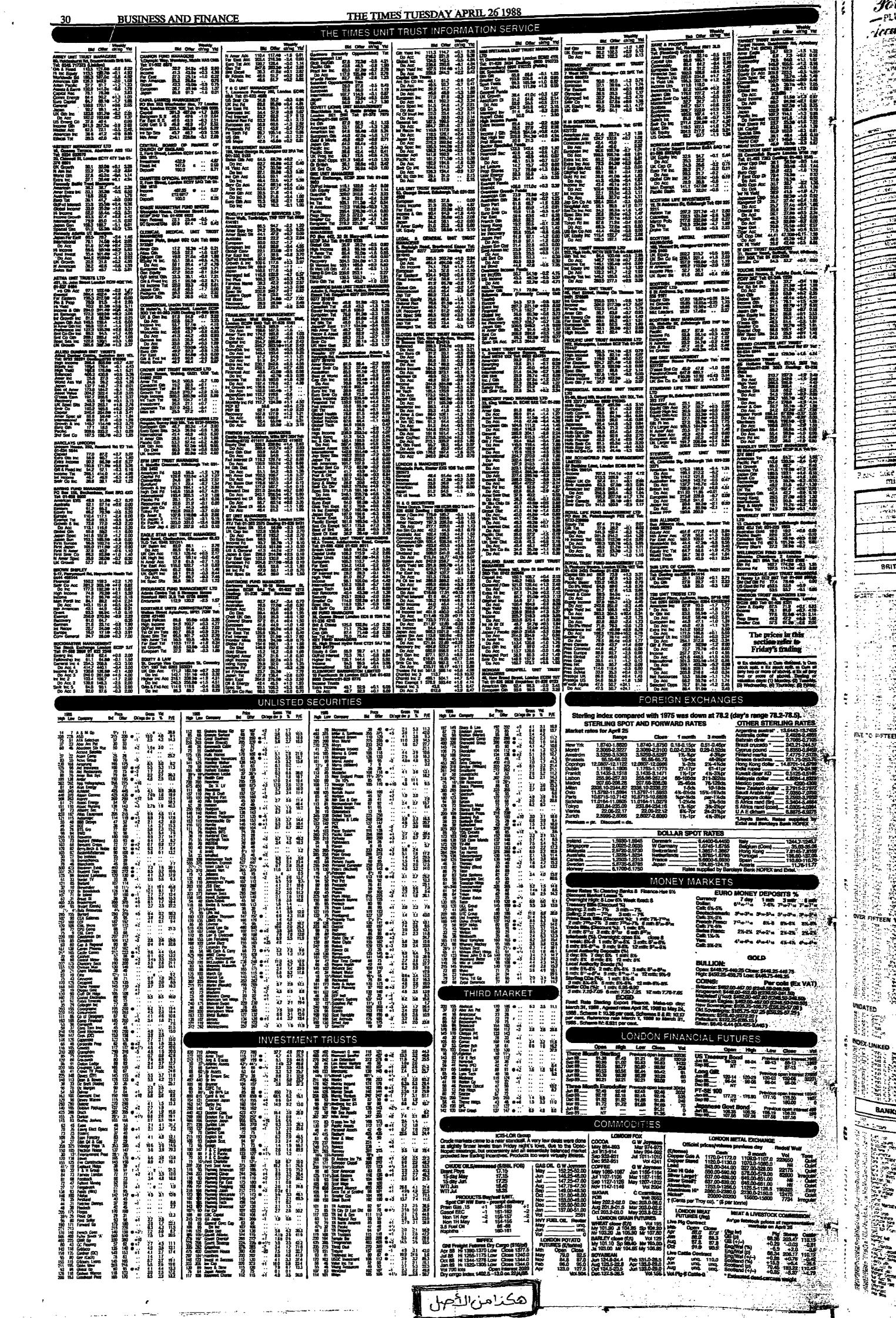
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Degrees but no hi-tech job

How is it, asks ANN KENT, that a young woman with high qualifications and a good approach to job-seeking, is still not working in her chosen field

PROFILE

ouise McDonagh is incensed by articles describing the serious staff shortages in high technology and computing and how easy it should be to get a job in the field. She believes that with her two degrees - in archaeology and computer science - she is an eminently suitable applicant.

But no one will give her a job as a trainee programmer, although she is ready to start at the bottom. A year ago, at the grand old age of 24, Ms McDonagh was told she was over-qualified and underexperienced.

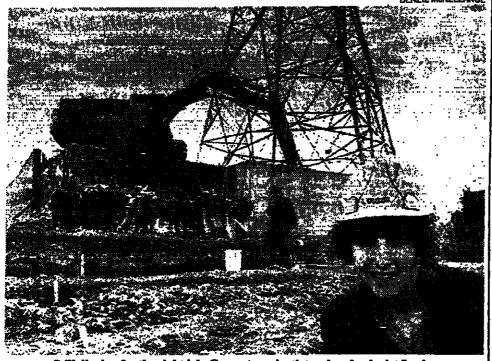
"By that," she said, "they meant I was too old." Whatever the reasons for her failure to find work, she insists it is not from lack of trying. In the last 18 months she has made 60 job applications and attended about 10 interviews, spent many hours phoning likely employers, visited two recruitment fairs, consulted a careers adviser and put her name down with computerrecruitment agencies.

"I know I am not the only person with this problem" said Ms Mcdonagh, who is working on an archaeological site in Morden, Surrey. "I have been told that hundreds of people apply for the jobs I go for, and the short list can have 30 names on it.

The computer agency told me they wanted 18 or 19 year olds who had just finished their A-levels, or science graduates aged 21 or 22.

Ms McDonagh, armed with four arts A-levels, went to Bristol University where she got a joint honours degree in archaeology, ancient history and Latin. And, she says, would-be employers have held this against her ever since.

She said: "While I was at Bristol I realized that I was really more interested in a career in computing. I did a conversion course, and got a



Still digging for the right job: Computer scientist and archeologist Louise McDonagh at the Colliers Wood, south London excavation site

"I don't think employers want someone with a broad based education," she said. "They think it shows indecis-

a standard hand-written application form when she replies to job advertisements, and sends this without a covering

So, given Ms McDonagh's problems, what do the recruit-

John Durbin is managing director of CAPP Associates — Computer personel and has 1,200 job vacancies for programmers and systems analysts on his database. But it is so hard to find the right people at that level, that his company has moved upmarket, recruiting managers and senior man-

But the job glut involves only those who have some experience. Many companies are unwilling to provide train-ing from scratch. He admitted that Ms McDonagh's age and qualifications are initially off-

He added: "Trainee programmers are usually school-leavers of 18 or 19 with a couple of good A-levels. By the time they are 22 they have

but I assumed I would be able to get a job afterwards."

"I don't think employers starting salary of about £8,000 panies which appeal to you explaining what you have to earn about £15,000. I think a degree in computer science offers Louise only a slight

> Though trained computer professionals can find the world is their oyster, the difficulty of finding a first job is as bad as it always has been, despite the enormous expansion in the computing in-

Getting on the wrong course at school or university can make things very difficult later. Mr Durbin said that it is not enough to answer adver-tisements. Would-be programmers need to consult the Computer Users Year Book usually in a reference library and be prepared to write a hundred letters offering their to suitable services

Rose Deakin, author of Women and Computing and a consultant with Transam Microsystems, said: "Employers expect to see a proper, typed CV with a good covering letter. And applicants applying for their first job need to give a great deal of thought to what they say on

conversion course, and got a the time they are 22 they have hundreds of others are writing olds are a nightmare to degree in computer science in four years' experience and are at the same time. It is much employ. They are up all night, a year. It was very hard work. ready to move on from their better to write to the com- and tired the next day."

Management consul-

"Many companies dread the business of having to spend weeks interviewing applicants. If a letter arrives at the right time, the author has a very good chance of being

Ms Deakin also considers it essential to have job experi-ence to put on the CV, even if the work itself was unpaid.

"When I was trying to get my first job in computing", she said, I worked out a very detailed rota for student nurses for nothing, and after that I worked out housing statistics for someone who was doing research for a local authority. Louise could even think of offering her services free to a charity which had just installed a computer.

"Job-seekers should be shameless about going through their own and their parents' address books, looking for business contacts who have data-processing depart-

"Again, they can offer their services for little or nothing in exchange for the experience. Louise should be able to turn "I do not think there is any her age into an asset. Employpoint in writing for jobs when ers know that 18 and 19 year-

The search for Messages to the safer energy wrist

By Pearce Wright

Instead of splitting heavy

thermonuclear bomb, with an

accompanying release of ener-

Dr Maurizio Zifferero, act-

ing director-general of the

International Atomic Energy

Agency (IAEA), which is

sponsoring the project, said that "some time in the future

mankind may find itself in a

position where a limitless

ource of energy is available." Medium-size fusion re-

actors, including the Joint

European Torus, at Culham,

near Oxford, already exist in

Europe, the Soviet Union, the

US and Japan, alough they are

used only for research. A

fusion reactor would simulate

By Matthew May n international pro-The idea that wristwatches ject to examine the will eventually become min-iature videophones able to feasibility of produc-L ing almost limitless sources of energy through connect you with a moving picture of someone anywhere nuclear fusion involving the in the world is likely to remain European Commission, Jain the realms of science fiction pan, the US and the Soviet for some time. Union, got under way in Vienna last week.
Leading physicists from the

While TV wristwatches have put in an appearance various countries met in their from Japan as one-way units to pick up broadcast channels first session to lay the groundthey are still accompanied by hefty battery packs that have work for an international thermonuclear experimental reacto be put in a pocket and frequently recharged. Even the tor (Iter), which could lead to safer nuclear power stations idea of a home videophone that "burn" hydrogen as fuel. looks bleak because of a cost of several thousand pounds atoms of uranium into light and the fact that existing elements, as in the current telephone lines cannot carry generation of fission reactors enough information to handle in thermal power stations, the future reactors would fuse moving pictures. The cheapest option together hydrogen, as in the

which will transmit only still pictures - is predicted to come on the market next year. It is hoped the price might fall to a couple of hundred pounds. But the idea of a wristwatch as a 'personal communicator" is ing seriously investigated. A US company, AT&E, is trying to set up an ambitious network that will combine the phone system, FM broadcasting and wristwatches to provide a cheap form of paging system.

The watches, to be manufactured by Seiko, will initially go on sale in the US next summe for about £100. They will be able to accept messages consisting of simple instructi-ous such as "call office" or "call home" with a relevant

A numeric code system can also be used for more complex messages. The company has set up a Geneva office to try to

Ever watchful: chronometer

develop a similar system in

Enrope to start by the end of 1989. The British firm, Ples-

sey, is to provide custom

semiconductors to handle the

FM-receiver part of the watch.

Subscribers, who will have

to pay a monthly charge of around £6, will be able only to

messages will dial an auto-

mated messaging centre to leave a message, which AT&E

wristwatch within a

A crucial element in

AT&T's plans is the involve-

to use their radio transmitters

to relay the messages over FM

sub-channel frequencies. In

European countries govern-

ment approval is likely to be

Michel Gaultier, finance

director of Receptor Inter-

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the operation, said:"FM

broadcasters have located their transmitters at the op-

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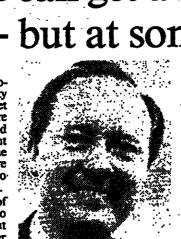
the company is looking at include the ability to broadcast

accurate time signals to the watches to keep them correct

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life, and have the urge to get away from it all, there are ways of combining the good life with your job.If you want to live in a remote area of the countryside, local councils are among the few places likely tohave a computer installation. People who move out of

receive messages - not send them. Callers wanting to send says it will be able to deliver to ment of existing radio stations

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place people live and work. through." Initial customers are likely to be from business though AT&E hope that costs will be low enough to build up a domestic market as well. "Our system will cheaper and smaller than existing paging systems," said Mr Gaultier. Within three years of

But Mr Holmes does not

Mr Holmes is himself a Londoner, who has been working in Yorkshire since 1973. "I was working for Islington Council, but could not afford to live in London. I

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Sellafield in Cumbria: will the next generation nuclear-power plants be more acceptable?

cide whether to go ahead with a joint experimental power

Experts attending the meeting estimated it would take at least 10 years to build an experimental reactor and a further 20 to 30 years before nuclear-fusion reactors could be built commercially.

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Yes, you can get away from it all — but at some cost

If you're a computer pro-fessional who's tired of city

town into this kind of job do so primarily because they put the location first and career prospects second.But inevitably, when working in an computer installations, opportunities to move onwards and upwards are fewer. Moving job means moving house. The alternative for the career-minded, is a long wait until those at the top leave or

The North Yorkshire Dales is one place to get away from it all. North Yorkshire County Council covers the area from Skipton to Scarborough and from Middlesbrough to Selby and it has a computer staff of 85, including 30 development staff working on two ICL series 39 mainframes - one for production and one for development. New systems are being developed, including some for fleet management, property services and edu-

Last year eight of the 85 staff left, and it is not easy to recruit replacements, said David Holmes, North Yorkshire's head of computer services. He added: "There is a shortage of skilled staff. We take on local trainees direct from college. We also recruit local people and train them. You do get people leaving town and wanting to live out here. Some are passing

The total number of jobs in IT is not expanding, although the type of skills required is changing - jobs are being lost at the operations end as this becomes more automated, but gained on the development

want the jobs in the council to be too static. "I prefer a bit of turnover and a mix of people who stay and leave," he said. "I don't want it to be that settled."



Mike Holmes of Somerset council: not easy to recruit came to Yorkshire as a programmer and am now the

director." But he warns that once you leave London, you lose the benefits. "In the South there are more opportunities for career development," he said.

However, all development and technical people are on a career scheme and are promoted on merit. The programmers and analysts are paid up to £14,500; team leaders get up to £16,000. Living in Somerset might be

another way of getting away from city life. There are 72 people in the computer department of Somerset County council, including 28 develop-

Nine people left last year, although the average is usually two a year. Most left because they could get more money and company cars elsewhere. But Mike Holmes, deputy IT services manager at Somerset County Council, said it is not easy to recruit. "We used to look for systems analysts who were ex-programmers but can't afford to do that now,"

Somerset recently made three appointments, after a

time. It still has four jobs unfilled. At the bottom, Mr Holmes takes on trainees who just have to pass an aptitude test, otherwise he needs programmers and analysts with appropriate experience. He said: "Many years ago applicants used to flood in,

particularly in the late 70s and early 80s. We tended to get a ... good response because of the location. But now people aren't so mobile."

Mr Holmes believes this is because of the cost of moving, and the difference in property prices between North and South. House prices are rising in the area, and two people, from Birmingham and Wigan, he tried to recruit couldn't move. They just couldn't afford to live here," he said.

Systems analysts are paid up to £15,100, analyst programmers get up to £13,000 and programmers up to £10,000, although there is present a pay review for the if jobs. The location is pleasant The advantages are the gen-erous holidays: 27 days a year if you earn over £11,000, and flexitime, so holiday can be made up to 40 days a year.

"People don't realize how. interesting and varied the work is in local government." Mr Holmes said. "You could be working on systems for schools, housing, university grants or whatever."

But there are not many other computer installations in Taunton. So if you moved here as a career step and did not like it, you would have to commute 30 or 50 miles by motorway to get to another

Mr Homes said: "Somerset! attracts people who know the area. They come for family reasons - they've been brought up here. People want the area first and computers

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A new look at consultancy

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The traditional jibe against management consultants is that they are people who say "Lend me your watch and I'll tell you the time."

The cynical go further. They explain that an experienced consultant not only charges you for the use of your own watch, but also tells you to buy another one. The market for technical

consultancy in particular is changing. Driven perhaps by late-1970s cash strictures, or by late-1980s entrepreneurial vigour, more and more companies are using external consultants as an adjunct to in-house resources. This has brought a sophistication to the market for such consultancy which was lacking 10 and 15 vears ago.

Traditionally consultants have sold their time to clients; fees have been strictly and simply related to effort expended. Expenses incurred are charged in addition.

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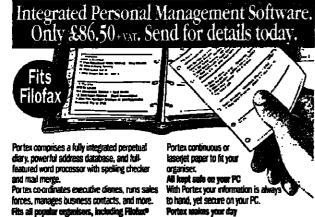
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Indeed weak management of such contracts can lead to a practical demonstration of Parkinson's Law, the consultant's fees expand to fill the

How many times is the consultant heard to cry that he

perform badly he gets paid

performance be measured? depends on what he's agreed to do; defining a performance criterion requires an agree-ment on what is to be

Once such an agreement A late report is worthless;

been paid according to how much time their work has taken. TONY MILBURN, left, argues it would be better for all concerned if consultants, particularly in technology, were

paid only by results to be placed more explicitly at the feet of the consultant. Clients continually tell me that they seek a mechanism for putting consultants under a pressure to perform, just as

pressure to perform, by their bosses or shareholders. Some form of performancerelated fee structure is needed: if the consultant performs well he gets paid well, should he

The difficulty with this approach is defining what is meant by performing well and performing badly. How can

A consultant's performance chieved before work starts.

exists performance measurement becomes straightforward. Even such elementary steps bring a new tightness to the client-consultant relationship. Suddenly it is in everybody's interest to agree what the deliverables are and when they are to be delivered.

presumably the fee would

become zero. Similarly, for a

new product to be developed,

the go-ahead may be based on

the anticipated rate of return

on the investment.

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Over-spending on the dev-elopment would reduce the rate of return and may invaltants have traditionally idate the go-ahead decision. One element of the performance criteria here would be development within budget perhaps a fixed price development contract.

Both parties should welcome this swing towards accountability in technological consultancy. For clients it provides a real mechanism for motivating the consultant: for the consultant it provides the scope to be rewarded well when he performs well.

The concept can be taken further. If the assignment involves risk - and what does not in technology today — this too can be shared. Sharing risk of course implies sharing the

expected benefits. Risk-sharing would have a significant impact across all consultancy — imagine the manufacturing consultant who took his fee as a percentage of the savings made through increased efficiency. Reducing client's inventory would have real meaning to him - more money in his

pocket. For small companies, risksharing with consultants may also be a way of bringing experience to the business whilst being careful with the corporate cash.

The consultant may trade some of his fee for a royalty on the product. As a result his returns are closely linked to his performance and he shares the risk of failure.

If the objective is achieved

the bill may be a little greater, but it will be money well

 The author is head of computers and communications at the Technology Partnership, a technology consulting and investment company

Your keyboard could still be a culprit unions, claim that the very high speeds

than £25.

By Robert Matthews

use syndrome" in office workers. The research, carried out in Australia and published in the latest issue of The Lancet, adds weight to the claims of some office workers that they are suffering debilitating, and possibly permanent damage to hands and arms through constant work with electronic kevboards.

Some investigations have ascribed the

complaints to psychological causes

rather than real muscle damage. But

Heavy use of keyboards in offices can attainable on modern keyboards can lead cause genuine muscular damage, according to a new study of the so-called "overmuscular damage."

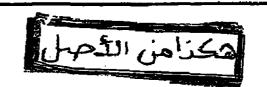
Dr Xenia Dennett and Dr Hunter Hall Fry have carried out muscle biopsies in 29 women, predominantly keyboard operators, complaining of pain in their limbs to find out if muscle damage is the cause. The results were compared with those of biopsies taken from healthy

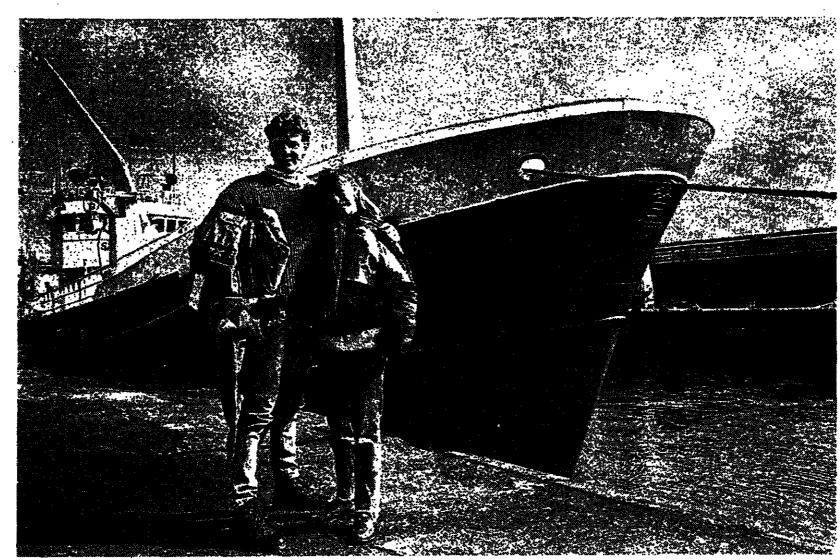
Among the patients taking part, the pain ranged from discomfort in a limb even at rest to total loss of ability to use growing numbers of workers, backed by the limb due to continual pain.

All had been suffering for at least six months. Comparisons with the healthy women revealed a number of significant changes in the muscles of women suffering particularly severely from "over-use syndrome". For example, so-called "scalloped"

women with pain, compared with only I of the 8 healthy women. Overall, the doctors found that significant changes in the muscles had taken place in the patients complaining of pain.

muscle fibres were found in 17 of the 18 They conclude that the changes "cannot be accounted for by known psychological





44 THANKS TO DTI HE'S HOME AND DRY. 77 (SO ARE MULLION FLOTATION SUITS.)

For most of the year, the temperature of the Arctic Ocean hovers just above freezing point.

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But when 19-year-old Gudmundur Jonsson, a deckhand on the trawler 'Grindviking,' lost his footing and plunged overboard off the northwest coast of Iceland, he did neither. Thanks to a lifeline from DTI.

It took the form of an innovation grant to a small company, Mullion Manufacturing Ltd.

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And which kept Gudmundur afloat and alive until he was rescued. "If I hadn't had the suit on, I wouldn't be here now," he said later, having been reunited with family and friends.

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£5,000 flights waiting for a winning call

Today we launch a competition in association with the computer manufacturer, Digital Equipment, taking aviation as its theme and offering the opportunity to win holidays valued at £5,000. The Times/Digital Schneider competition will be based on the vintage period of aviation preceding 1940.

The aircraft of this period owed much to the pioneering work by design teams involved in the earlier Schneider Trohy, which was won by Britain in 1931 and celebrated again this year by the Digital Schneider Trophy Race over the Isle of Wight next month.

This week, and for the next three weeks we will publish random entries from a spot-ter's log, as clues to the four asked for the following information when you make your questions we shall be posing. What you do: Research the answers to each of the ques-tions, add the number of the ution, (2) the tie-breaking sentence (see below), (3) your name and day-time phone answers together to form your numerical solution. For example, if you think the answer to hand when you make your call, and deliver it in the above estion 3 is Saro Lerwick order to enable the entry to be

On Sunday, between 8 am pm. phone 021-400 The Times/Digital

● Lots of activity as bright yellow Tiger Moths lurched around the drome trying circuits and

bumps. Their undercarriages certainly put up

with a lot of stress, but so do the instructors.

A great row in the papers yesterday at the announcement of the order of 200 American built aircraft. Will it harm the British aircraft

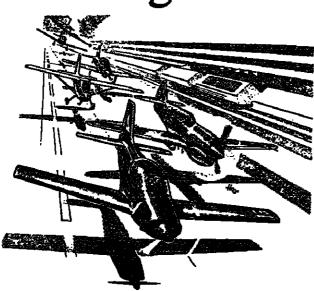
Crossing Rochester bridge on the bus, got a

terrific view of the military version of the Empire flying boat. It's due to enter squadron service later this summer.

• First pictures this week show that the Ensign, Armstrong-Whitworth's airliner, is built with

high wings, and fitted with Tiger power plants.

Question 1: What was the type number of the



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aircraft operated by the RAF and civil clubs?

controversy in Britain when 200 were ordered for the RAF in 1938?

Consolidated Liberator, 2 Lockheed Hudson,

Boeing Fortress, 4 Republic Thunderbolt

1 DH 50, 2 DH 89, 3 DH 60, 4 DH 82

Armstrong-Whitworth Ensign have: 1 One, 2 two, 3 four, 4 six

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and Digital Equipment, and members of their immediate families, are not eligible to enter the competition. In any dispute, the editor's decision is final and no correspondence

◆ TIE-BREAKER: Answer this question in no more than 15 words. What in your opinion was the most significant contribution to aviation in the years 1927-37?

Arriend, via the Nab Tower, Selsey (a new turning point this year), West Wittering, Gilkicker Point, Lepe Country Park and Thorness Bay. Public viewing points will be at Bembridge Downs, Selsey, Lepe Country Park and West Wittering. The race start is handicapped with the slowest aircraft starting first. The handicap is calculated to give a simultaneous finish for all the planes, and pilot skill determines whether this is achieved. Two heats will be held the day before the race, one each for slow and fast aircraft. A final

30, starting from Bembridge

The course of the race again

approximates the 1929 and 1931 Schneider Trophy

courses around the Solent, with the start and finish point

at Bembridge Airfield on the

Three laps of the course, which is about 53 miles long, will be flown, from Bembridge Airfield, via the Nab Tower,

airfield at 11.30 am.

Isle of Wight.

For high-fliers

Holidays worth £5,000 will be waiting for the four winners of the competitions. Three vouchers for £1,000 and one for £2,000 will be given away. The top prize of £2,000 will be decided on the airfield during the weekend of the race. The vouchers can be used to take the winner to a destination of their choice for example a Koryan Question 2: Which US aircraft caused a choice, for example, a Kenyan safari, two weeks in the Sey-chelles or a trip around India.

The four weekly winners will be guests of Digital on the Isle of Guestion 3: What military development of the "C" class Empire flying boat entered squadron service in the summer of 1938?

1 Short Singapore, 2 Supermarine Wairus, 3 Short Sunderland, 4 Saro Lerwick

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The prizes will be presented during the main prize presents

Ring for the maid, dear, or do I mean the robot?

he future for manu-facturing robots in this country looks encouraging. At least that is the view of the British

Robot Association which has Europe's largest closed-circuit just announced the latest UK air race, the Digital Schneider market figures - 620 new robots installed in 1987, a 30 Trophy Race revives in modern form the famous seaplane per cent improvement on the contests which took place between 1913 and 1931 and prévious year. But in the opinion of one which became the most prestigious of all aviation events. This year it will take place on Bank Holiday Monday, May

heretic, to view robotics primarily in terms of manufacturing is missing the point. The major market for robotics in the future will be in the service sector.

Joseph Engleberger is universally acknowledged to be the father of manufacturing robotics. Back in 1957 he founded Unimation, the world's first industrial robot com-

After selling out to the USA giant Westinghouse five years ago, he decided to start all over again - but this time concentrating on applying tion of the human workers. This is reflected in the

By Richard Pawson

robotics to service applications. Which is how his new

company, Transitions Research, comes to be investigating applications as diverse as a robot nurses' aid for use in hospitals, an industrial robot vacuum cleaner, and a drugdispensing robot pharmacist. The scope for robotics

ROBOTICS

applications in the service sector is enormous, he says three times more people are employed in service than in manufacturing. Not that the principal jus-

tification for installing a robot is to reduce the headcount, any more. In the last few years, the prime motivation for purchasing an industrial robot has changed from pure economics, to issues of quality control and the job satisfac-

surprisingly small incidence of industrial relations problems.

Though 77 per cent of UK companies installing a rebot expected difficulties, only 2 per cent actually materialized. Job satisfaction is even

more of an issue in the service sector, claims Mr Engleberger. In parts of the USA it is increasingly difficult to get staff for certain jobs. Hotel chamber maids dislike the image of scrubbing the bathroom on their hands and knees, for example.

If a robot can be designed to assist them, performing, per-haps, the least desirable 50 per cent of the jobs, then each maid's role is immediately upgraded to supervisor.

The concept of Mr Engleberger's nurses' aid won't reduce personal contact and care in hospitals; rather it will increase it by freeing nurses

from the constant fetching and carrying-out needed.

Admittedly, the technology needed for service robots is o a far more advanced nature than for industrial manipulators. Mobility is crucial, and that requires the ability to navigate through a cluttered environment.

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A wide variety of highbandwidth sensors are necded, including robotic vision, and perhaps voice recog-nition. Apart from expert systems, service robots are likely to be the prime users of artificial intelligence.

So far, says Mr Engelberger, there seems to be little evidence that the traditional robot manufacturers and their professional associations have woken up to the possibility of service robots.

"There is a new thrust in robotics", he concludes, "and there is no need for the UK to be so tardy in getting involved

Year of the giant mergers

By Richard Sarson

Last month Systems Designers, a software firm, bought Scicon and thereby created the first all-British world-class software company. Two weeks later, another British software house, CAP merged with Sema-Metra of France, to

Within days Cap-Gemini-Sogetti (CGS), also French and the largest European software company, stunned the industry with a £6 million dawn raid on CAP, which gave it a 20 per cent share.

CGS said the move is friendly. referring back to the association of the English and French CAPs in the mid-1970s, and claiming that it will give some protection against unwe intervention, which could affect the European nature of the new group". CGS is, of course, referring to the large presence of the Americans, who have absorbed much of Britain and Europe's software industry in the last few years. The largest, EDS, tops \$4 billion. EDS and another American both tried to bay Scicon from BP.

The fledgling SD-Scicon, with a smaller turnover of £250 million, has business spread quite evenly over the UK, the Continent and the US. chairman, Philip Swinstead, only the eighth largest in the world and that does not count the computer software interests of the big accountants, such as Arthur Andersen, whose computer interests could reach \$700 million.

Semacap, the new Anglo-French group, has a similar turnover of £240 million, and provides the same sort of systems integration and consultancy services as SD-Scicon, to large defence, government, manufacturing and communications customers.

But Semacap does not operate in the US, and is not as strong as it would like in Germany or Scandinavia. CGS had nes of £400 million, and more than 8,000 staff, against Semacap's 6,400 and SD-Scicon's 3,500.

It, too, has a wide geographical spread of revenue, from France, the rest of Europe and the US.

It is very ambitious, hoping to increase its share of the world market from 2.4 per cent in 1986 to 5 per cent to 10 per cent in 1995, a growth of 23-30 per cent per year, against an expected industry average of

It is also acquisitive, having taken over

a major French competitor, SESA, last year, which is expected to increase CGS's revenues to £540 million this year. Britain is an area where CGS intends to make a major acquisition this year, its subsidiary here being currently very

In fact it briefly turned predatory eyes on System Designers itself at the end of last year. It may well be targetting in on another of the remaining British independents, Logica, CMG, or Thorn EMPs software interests.

Or, perhaps the interest in CAP is more hostile than it allows, and Serge Kampff, president of CGS, could be trying to make a clean sweep of the can software industry.

CGS developed the French Teletel, stem, while System Designers did the pilot for Bildschirmtext, the German equivalent of Prestel, and it has the contract to link the West German and

There is relatively little industrial er-lap between SD and Scicon, except in defence. However, the integration of the two new companies is bound to slow the expansion of the combined companies for at least a year.

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for export success. Hydraroli employs 90 peo-

nology award was for the

British Road Services at Trafford Park, Manchester, have reduced the loading time fly two Queen's Award flags: for a 40ft road trailer of 20 the other was gained in 1985 pallets from 20 minutes to 90 seconds, by using a Hydraroll combined power system on ple in three factories at the trailer, the loading bay and Gaerwen on the Isle of Angle- on the warehouse floor.

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new captions for the cartoons above came flooding in. Four out of five were for variations

on the theme of Stonehenge, many having nothing to do with technology, including a lot of what will eventually become lese majesté jokes about architects and Prince Charles.

The winner, N. Bain of Wetherby, West

Yorkshire, wrote one of those captions reproduced with cartoon above left — which creeps up on you. He wins a weekend for two on

an island somewhere and could win the overall

prize of a week for two on the island of Rennion

in the Indian Ocean. The runners-up, for the

• "Look John, I'm in Marketing and I know -

wrists ..." - J. Andrews, London SW4

they'll never want one they can wear on their

same cartoon, are:

"But that's mind-boggling Alan ou mean you remembe

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● "Now listen - if anyone else mentions critical path analysis the summer sacrifices wili start early" — S. L. Perkins,

Wellingborough. • "All right, it missed the eclipse; but it got last week's plague of locusts spot-on" A. I. Warwood, London SW11.

● "I, 1, 1, 1, 1, so who forgot to bring the Os"

- Keith High, Southempton.

As for the two managers grappling with new technology, there were two ranners-up: Len Digby, Billericay, Essex, for the caption above right. And, from A. P. Stephenson, Surbiton, south London: "I don't dispute the electronic office concept. My point is, how do you measure efficiency if you take away In and Out

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inner cities. But can it repeat the success of London

Docklands? Charles Knevitt, Architecture Correspondent, looks at the prospects for schemes throughout Britain

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In the eight months between Mrs Thatcher's election-night victory remarks about doing something for the inner cities, and her first non-election domestic press conference in almost nine years, many people's expectations were raised. only to be dashed when the announcement came.

A proposed White Paper was replaced by a 32-page glossy brochure which the Prime Minister, flanked by six senior ministers in the departments directly involved, conceded did not amount to a new policy, rather to "using the money, intensifying, and concentrating it in a much more co-ordinated way".

About £250 million is being switched from national programmes to the inner cities, and especially the new Urban Development Corporations, while since 1979 about £20 billion has been cut from local authorities' rate support grant.

"The spark of regeneration must come from within the inner cities themselves," says the Government. "But while the prescription for success will vary from city to city, the priorities for acton are common to all of them." These priorities are to:

 Encourge enterprise and new businesses, and help existing businesses to grow stronger;

 Improve people's job prospects, their motivation and

● Make areas attractive to residents and to business by tackling dereliction, bringing old buildings into use, preparing sites and encouraging development and improving the quality of housing; Make inner city areas safe and attractive places to live

and work.

Public leverage of private investment forms the crux of the strategy. It has already met with considerable success in providing an attracative physical as well as commercial, environment which developers and the financial institution seek. Urban Development and Urban Regener-

ation Grants, for example, have a multiplier effect of 4:1 £145 million of public money has so far attracted £580 million of private

investment. With the Urban Development Corporations, the most spectacular results have been achieved in London Docklands, where the multiplier is 9:1. This has no doubt encouraged the Government to announce second and third generation corporations, in-cluding Sheffield's Lower Don Vailey, although none is expected to reproduce quite so impressive a success.

But in terms of social policy, the most radical changes are taking place in

> 'There is still no national urban policy on longterm planning

housing. The Estate Action programme, worth £140 million this year, is encouraging improved management and maintenance of run-down council estates, with tenant co-operatives and ownership

The new Housing Bill will enable tenants to choose their own landlords, which will boost the number of housing associations and other "social" landlords, as well as the private rented sector, and five Housing Action Trusts are to be set up with £125 million over the next three years, in. which the private sector will play an active role.

The first two are likely to be in Hulme, Manchester, and in one of the inner London

But recent precedents and future plans do not go nearly far enough say some critics. David Liggins, director of local government consultancy at Coopers & Lybrand, the City accountants, maintains that there is still no national urban policy in terms of longterm planning. Experience has shown, particularly in the United States, that projects involving hundreds of acres can be expected to take between 20 and 30 years, while the Government reckons the problem can be "solved"

within a decade.

favour locally-determined public/private sector partner-ships rather than the development corporation approach.

These have the benefit of

Another idea which has

much an organizational or financial one, as political: its Heseltine who, as Environand Merseyside in 1981.

With the legacy of being the first industrialized nation thirds in the service sector, inner-city crisis is increasingly but again no regional policy

Present government action on the inner cities, when against the backto a number of other issues if

• Can new development institutions be created, with more innovative develo finance being made readily available?

being responsive to local needs and of not being a massive burden on the Exchequer. Pump-priming might be needed for only two or

The financial institutions have ample funds to invest and are increasingly willing to do so. There are also opportunities for setting up local development banks, on the American model. Sheffield is already investigating this.

received much support is that of an English, or national, Development Agency, fulfilling much the same role as those in Wales and Scotland. This would in effect replace the inner-city responsibilities of the six existing ministries, co-ordinated by Kenneth Clarke, the Department of Trade and Industry Minister, but under the firm grip of Mrs

The biggest hurdle is not so main proponent is Michael ment Secretary, set up the first two development corpora-tions in London Docklands

whose economy is now two-Britain is having to face up to dramatic adjustments in the inner cities brought about by change. But while change is inevitable, crisis is not. The being viewed, privately, as really an urban/regional issue,

ground of major economic restructuring and past experi-ence, will need to address itself long-term objectives are to be met. These are:

Mr Liggins says: "I would the private rented and new ensure success?



Development on the Isle of Dogs: picture by Nick Rogers

Out of the decay of old London a big, thriving, new community is arising. London Docklands, Britain's No 1 UDC, enjoys a grant of £80 million, but when capital receipts are taken into account the annual budget is about £200 million.

social landlord sectors enable increased mobility of labour among those presently locked into public sector housing?

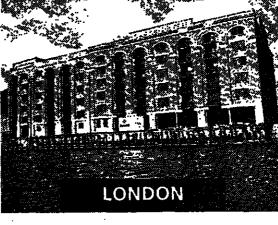
 Will the professions and institutions involved be able to develop sufficient capability to learn quickly from past mistakes and modify their method of operation?

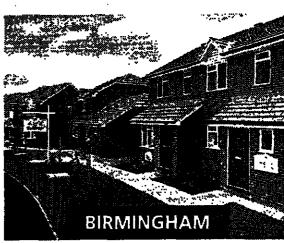
 Will the economic benefits of regeneration filter down to those most adversely affected by change (existing experience suggests not)?

And, not least, can the political will and momentum be sustained for long enough -● Will changes to tenure in perhaps several decades - to









Without detracting from the gravity of inner city decay, it needs saying that a positive start has already been

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Ministers confident about results Country have large resident Development

With four more Urban Development Corporations due to come on stream in the next few weeks, following the four last year, government hopes of repeating the success of London Docklands, and to a far lesser extent, Merseyside. may appear to be a case of too many eggs in one urban regen-eration basket. The possibility of even more in the lifetime of this Parliament has not been ruled out.

Ministers are confident that they will continue to achieve the desired results of levering private sector cash on an impressive scale into inner city areas, as a result of designating large areas of land, with their own centrallyadministered boards, sweeping powers and pump-priming

public sector finance. The Government even goes so far as to claim that results will be evident in less than the five or seven years which constitute their lifespan.

In addition to the five second generation corporations, and four third generation corporations announced over the past few months,



Michael Heseltine: former minister behind the UDCs

proposals exist to extend the Black Country's boundaries into parts of Wolverhampton, and roughly double the size of Merseyside's 865 acres.

UDC status is seen as a necessary precursor to development, particularly in aurac-ting developers to invest in areas which have been enhanced environmentally.

Local authorities are consulted only about specific issues, such as where boundaries are drawn, rather than whether they wish to be sub-ject to an unelected body with access to funds not available

corporations First Generation in England (1981):London Docklands, Merseyside. Second Generation (1987): Trafford Park, Tyne and

Third Generation (1988): Bristol, Leeds, Central Manchester, Sheffield (Lower Don Valley). In addition, there is the Cardiff Bay DC which comes under the Welsh Office.

through rate support grant. Strategies, rather than master plans, are prepared for the essentially pragmatic task of seeking to attract any takers, and direct benefits to local residents - as in London Docklands - can be an awfully long time coming: 15

years has been mentioned. But no two UDCs are identical Sheffield's Don Valley is among the smaller designated areas at 2,000 acres, while still being more than twice the size of Merseyside initially. Some, like the London Docklands and Black

populations (about 35,000 each). Others, like Trafford Park, have virtually none. Here and in Teesside the aim is to attract new population. Similarly, the amount of public investment varies enor-

mously; London Docklands enjoys a grant of £80 million, but when capital receipts are taken into account the annual budget is about £200 million. Second generation (1987) corporations receive £20 mil-

lion each over seven years.

While the third will get only

the £15 million committed for the first year. Private/public contribu-tions vary from 9:1 in London Docklands to perhaps 6:1 in Trafford, and between 3:1 and 2:1 in the North-East. Merseyside, with firm commitments of £68 million of private money, has yet to achieve 1:1.

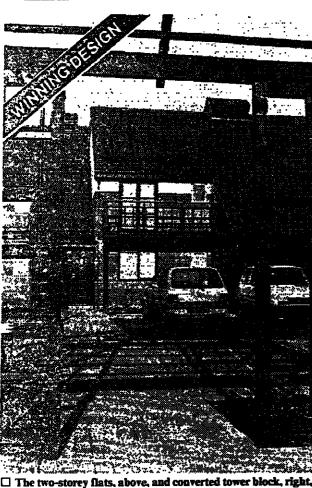
Not even Michael Heseltine, who announced the first UDCs seven years ago, could have foreseen the impact they will have had on the urban and industrial landscape of Britain by the year 2000.

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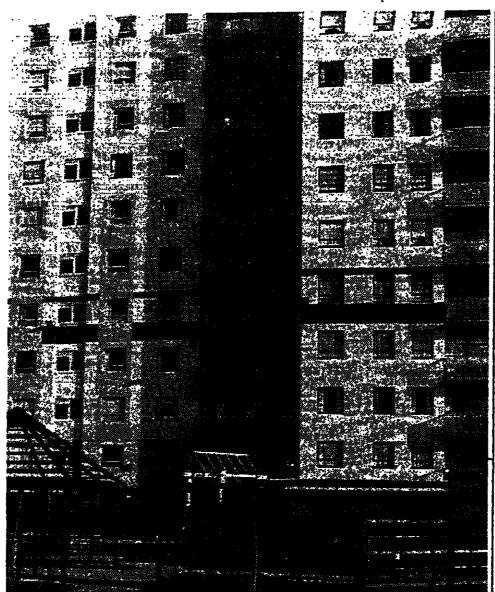


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Merseyside, the overall winner of the Living in the City Awards 1988, which attracted more than 200 entries. It was developed by Brock Carmichael Associates, BCA Landscapes and Wirral Borough Council. The awards were organized as part of the Inner City Refurbishment and Roofex International Exhibition at the Business Design Centre, today until Thursday, and in association with the Royal Institute of British Architects and the National Federation of Housing Association



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Trippier's veiled threat to councils

ties may oppose the Urban Development Corporations for party political reasons. But covertly many of them welcome the extra money for their cities," claims David Trippier, the Inner Cities Min-ister at the Department of the

Today he will be taking his message to Leeds for the latest in the Action for Cities breakfast meetings, which will be co-hosted by the Trade and Industry Minister, Kenneth Clarke, who has overall responsibility for the govern-ment package launched last

Further meetings are sched-uled for Manchester, Bir-mingham, Liverpool and London over the next two months.

Mr Trippier is a past master having been on the Action for Jobs roadshow. He does not begrudge Mr Clarke's lead role, being a former parliamentary private secretary and junior minister of his at the departments of Health and

Besides, as he says: "At the DOE we have the biggest



David Trippier: harnessing private sector interest

The main purpose of the resent breakfast meetings is "harness the enthusiasm of he private sector and encourage their enlightened self-

wishing to develop in the UDCs: "But they need to knock on doors to find out what is going on." Once order papers for the third generation' corporations are laid before the House, by June,

Local councils which do not welcome UDCs on their patch live with the veiled threat from Mr Trippier that he will extend the corporation's boundaries, as Liverpool has recently discovered.

Along with some of the London boroughs, Merseyside is still considered a renegade.

Conservative controlled.

Being a former leader of a northern council, Rochdale, the minister is better placed than many of his government colleagues in trying to per-suade local authorities and local businessmen of the need for promoting indigenous

But he is also keen to ensure a balance between new jobs in the manufacturing industry — "the main wealth creator" and the service sector.

He is not one of those who places his trust in leisure and

Skills training is also an ssential part of the regeneration package, and that does not stop at the shop floor. Management skills are in-creasingly needed by firms wanting to move into Govern-ment-designated action areas.

Mr Trippier predicts that the second generation (1987) corporations will enjoy a better working relationship with their respective councils than the first, and hopes this will also prove true for the third once called "mini" UDCs, a title now rejected by ministers as they will be entitled to apply for grant aid to bolster their initial budgets of just £15 million million.

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The second generation corporations have been promised £130 million over seven years.

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Bid to cut delays

ounced in March. The aim is to simplify the grants avail-

Unlike the previous Urban Development and Urban Reg-eneration Grants which it reeneration Grants which it re-places, City Grant will be paid direct by government to pri-vate sector developers, by-passing local authorities. Pro-jects with council support will, bowever, stand a better chance of receiving part of the £35 million available this year.

Grants, which average a gearing of 4:1 (£4 of private investment for every £1 of public subsidy) will be available for reclamation and new building or refurbishment projects in inner city areas which provide jobs or private housing, bring derelict land and empty buildings back into use, improve the environment and help rebuild confidence.

The intention is to trip the halance in favour of going ahead with projects which are of marginal profitability for the private sector. Grants of between £200,000 and £400,000 will be the criteria.

The private sector Derelict

A new grant, the City Grant, comes into effect next Tuesday available outside the 57 prioraty around for Cities package an ignated areas, while the new City Grant will also be available within the Urban Devel-

> Formal offers should be available within 10 weeks of application, a big improve-ment on the existing system; and local authorities longer have to contribute 25

has been approved for 279 projects leading to an estimated 25,500 jobs and 6,400 homes. Subsidies of £134 miling £536 million of private.

The Urban Regeneration Grant, launched last spring, has been less successful. Five projects have received offers of grants totalling £10 million which is expected to attract £42 million in private funding.

Although the private sector is keen to promote other types of incentive, including American style tax breaks, the Gov-ernment believes this is an ably successful but they are

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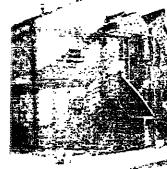
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Some have come to see Phoenix as the Trojan Horse of Whitehall intervention. civil servants on its board.

"The climate of the market has changed quite dramatically since two years ago," says David Weeks, general ing to build tter Britain. manager of Probe. His experience tallies with Phoenix. "We predicted then that the problem would be establishing a market, but recently there has هكنامن الأجهل

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The £22bn council house sa

tion sell-off yet, and with good reason. While the British Gas sale raised £5.5 billion and British Telecom £7.6 billion, Britain's stock of 4½ million council homes is expected to raise more than £22.5 billion — £7 billion within five years of the House Bill's provisions taking effect next April 1.

"Is it privatization? I think the Government would call it pluralism in the rented sector." says Richard Best, director of the National Federation of Housing Associations, who has been involved in negotiations with the Housing Minister, William Walde-grave, on making the Bill workable.

The federation has some 2,000 members responsible for almost 600,000 homes. They spend about £1 billion a year, the bulk of which comes via the government-funded Housing Corporation.

Housing associations form the "third force" in residential accommodation, being neither in the public nor private sectors. As housing has a crucial role to play, not only in urban regeneration but in reviving the outer estates which sprang up after the last war, the movement is seen as an important potential ally by ministers.

"The Government is now being realistic, realising that the private sector cannot make a profit out of the hundreds of thousands of low-income households," says Mr Best. It is taking a more sophisticated approach to the problems of medium and low-income housing so that it can provide choice

"I hope the minister has recognized that non-profit, social housing has a major role to play; it has been tried and tested in most other European countries," he adds.

America is a good example of what happens when private rentals are "liberated" or "decontrolled", Mr Best maintains. It becomes a commodity, like food or clothing, which is fine for those who can afford it, but disastrous for those who cannot. There is a tendency for Third World-type shanty towns to appear, populated by the underclass. He cites the Bronx in New York City as an example of what can happen.

Mr Waldegrave's grasp of the issues is impressive, says Mr Best. "He is applying a more careful and sane intellect to the issue of a new social housing sector than any minister I have dealt with in 15 years."

A new breed of social landlords will be created which should, in theory at least, respond directly to the needs of their tenants, and which should protect them from the ravages of those wishing to make a quick profit for company shareholders.

"I hope we are in safe hands," says

A series of I Ith-hour amendments are likely to be made after the Bill reaches the report stage in the Commons next month, and before it goes on to the Lords in October. These include additional sanctions to prevent the harrassment of tenants and bad management, and prevent land-

lords getting involved for the wrong motives.

Two important issues remain unresolved: there is no acknowlegement of the need for a ceiling on rents — or what the market will bear; the minister fears that such a measure might dissuade private investors from getting involved, while Mr Best thinks

it would reassure them. Secondly, local authority tenants who abstain from voting on the transfer of their homes to a new landlord will be taken as having voted for it; the Government argues that recalcitrant authorities will try to ersuade tenants not to vote in favour of a transfer.

The price at which housing is sold is



Richard Best: "Privatization? I think the Government would call it pluralization in the rented sector"

immediate repair and maintenance, a victory for reason.

What is certain is that after a century of municipal housing, it will change, probably irrevocably, within less than a decade. Following on from sales to owner-occupiers, under the Right to Buy scheme, about 14: million tenants will immediately get the right to select their own landlords, many of which will be new housing associations.

More than 100 councils are already planning to set up their own associations, in which councillors will be in the minority, so that they will become de-politiciz-sed as well as de-

unicipalized. Rochford council, near Southend, is handing over 2,000 premises to one association; and Salisbury and Bournemouth will probably set up two or three to handle their stock Birmingham could get as many as 30.

"Local authority housing associations may provide a middle ground of acceptability," says Mr Best. "Both the Government and the councils will get something out of it, as well as the

While the Housing Bill is overtly about deregulation and opportunities for private landlords, its true significance lies in the choice to be given to tenants and greater community involvement in managing and maintaining estates.

Homelessness, while still a responsibility of local councils, could be contracted out to the new associations and other new breed social landlords.

Building giants

Days before the Government's Action for Cities programme was launched last month, news leaked out that 11 of Britain's biggest con-struction, civil engineering and property companies had joined forces to develop large inner-city sites.

British Urban Development (BUD), which counts Affred McAlpine, Costain, Laing, Tarmac, Taylor Woodrow, Trafalgar House and Wimpey among its number, will have a share capital of £55 million, unrivalled experience and a lot of clout.

Add Hartley Booth as chief executive - he was until recently Mrs Thatcher's special adviser on the environment and home affairs with responsibilities for the re-use of derelics land, deregulation of planning law and inner-city regeneration - and the picture emerges of a pre-emptive strike by the private sector anticipating the Government's plans.

"We believe in getting private enterprise in to help solve the problems. It is private enterprise which creates the iobs." Mis i natcher said.

BUD's formation, (it will trade as Elevenco) was matched by two other private sector announcements on the same day: Business in the Community is setting up eight business teams to promote cently announced plans for a

been greater interest shown by Government in public/private sector partnership schemes."

Above: the Upper Dens Development, Dundee — an entrant in the Living in The City Award 1988. Below: the Wimpey Homes entrant at Holbrook North in Hertfordshire

Probe has 11 projects underway with local authorities, worth more than £160 million. These invariably have a housing content, but more recently, in Blackpool and Bolsover, for example, other facilities such as retail outlets and a national ice-skating rink (Blackpool), and providing new homes as well as improving properties.

Job creation is an increasingly important aspect and Probe could possibly get involved in the provision and operation of managed workspaces shortly.

Mr Weeks says: "There is a three-stage process: demonstrating to the local authority an understanding of their circumstances and objectives; undertaking a feasibility study; then carrying out a development programme."

Finance for Probe often comes from bousing investment programme budgets and Urban Regeneration Grants, as well as from its building society shareholders and ma-Weeks expects Probe to become involved in the new Housing Action Trusts and third generation development

corporations. Nationwide Anglia has re-

The Church of England plans to put £80 million into self-help projects

ment programme.

The Confederation of British Industry is working on an action plan to involve its 250.000 member firms which will be presented to its annual conference in November.

Fifteen chief executives, under the chairmanship of Tom Frost, group chief executive of National Westminster Bank, are taking a hard, commercial look at ways to deal with the long-term effects of economic and industrial

Two construction chiefs, Bryan Baker of Tarmac, and Martin Laing, of John Laing, are members of the CBI Task Force study group. They are anxious not to duplicate private sector initiatives which are already underway, such as Phoenix and Probe, the latter a joint venture between Lovell, the developer and con-tractor, and the Nationwide Anglia and Halifax building societies. Both groups are putting together projects in-volving local authority land and derelict buildings, private finance and very often Gov-

ernment grants. In Manchester, Phoenix has sucessfully applied for three grants for the development of the Whitworth Street area. now part of the designated Central Manchester Development Corporation.

David Trippier, the Inner Cities Minister at the Department of the Environment, believes it will still have a role to play once the corporation sets about its work. It receives a Government contribution of £40,000 a year, an executive secondee and has two senior

inner-city projects, and 3i is £600 million investment in launching an inner-city investtor on its own account. With

the new provisions of the Building Societies Act which came into force last year, several other societies are now acting as house developers as well. Woolwich Homes is building about 1,000 dwell-

ings a year. Another source of private sector funding was announced last week when the Church of England unveiled its Church Urban Fund which it hopes will raise £80 million to be spent over 20 years. Much of it will be channelled into selfhelp projects which have become a key to local economic and environmental regeneration, along with new types of

Two weeks ago, the country's first Enterprise Campus opened at Dean Clough, the revived carpet mill in Halifax, which is now home for 180 small businesses and more than 1,800 people. Ernest Hall, the entrepreneur who brought about its transformation, has teamed up with the local education authority to provide training experience for young people.

But despite the Govern-ment's emphasis on greater centralization and control of resources, and reliance on the private sector to fill the vacuum left over, a recent survey by Coopers & Lybrand, the City accountants, discovered that local authorities were the primary catalysts for urban regeneration. Central government came fourth, the private

sector a poor sixth. More often than not the authorities provided the vi-sion and leadership, and identified the other "key players" required to get a project off the ground; the private sector then provided finance to get it underway, management expertise and helped to create the partnership structure to make it work.

The lack of Government support for initiatives led by local authorities may prove to be a serious under-estimate of

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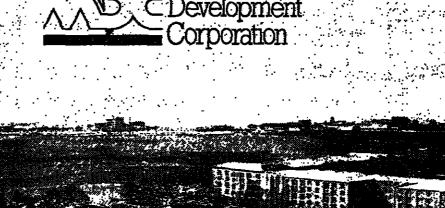
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Drugs case asset-restraining orders

Before Lord Donaldson Before Lord Donaidson of Lymington, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Nourse and Lord Justice Mann

[Judgment April 25]

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The jurisdiction to make or vary a restraint order under the Drug Trafficking Offences Act 1986 was closely analogous to that exercised under the Mareva jurisdiction, preventing the dissipation of assets within the jurisdiction, its purpose being to strike a belance before trial between preserving a defenbetween preserving a defen-dant's assets to satisfy a possible confiscation order if he were convicted, and meeting his reasonable requirements mean-

it followed that an order could not properly be made which provided for mainte-nance and school fees to be nance and school fees to be capitalized and paid as a lump sum by a defendant to his son since that amounted to a dis-charge of future liabilities and reduced the assets which might become the subject of a confiscation order.

The Court of Appeal so held allowing an appeal by the Commissioners of Customs and Excise from an order of Mr Justice McNeill who had varied a restraint order made under the 1986 Act by Mr Justice Schiemann and varied by Mr Justice Nolan, thereby giving effect to a consent order made in marrimonial proceedings that the defendant father pay to his son P, who was a minor, the sum of £25,000 in respect of the estimated cost of his school fees and maintenance until reached the age of 18.

Mr John Laws for the commissioners; Mr Michael Horowitz for P. The MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that the intention

of the Act was that no one convicted of drug trafficking offences should be allowed to retain any part of the proceeds a consent order in the divorce a consent order in the divorce

The broad scheme involved making confiscation orders and prior protective orders which were designed to prevent an accused rendering any confisca-tion order nugatory by disposing of his assets before conviction.

Section 8(1) authorized the making of such orders to apply, by section 8(2) to all realizable property held by a specified person. Section 8(5) provided for the discharge or variation of such an order.

Section 13(2) provided that Section 13(2) provided that
"the court's powers shall be
exercised with a view to making
available for satisfying the
confiscation order, or as the case
may be, any confiscation order
that may be made in the
defendant's case the value for
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the realization of such property."

P's parents were married in 1970 and he was born in 1971. The father was convicted in France in 1981 of the illegal possession and importation of cocaine. Having served a term of investment of the cocaine of the co of imprisonment he was released in 1984. Shortly afterwards the parents began divorce proceedings and P, who lived with his mother, was sent to a fee-paying boarding school. His father paid the school fees and made maintenance payments

In 1987 the father was arrested in this country on drug trafficking offences and the commissioners obtained a restraint order under the Act. In November 1987 Mr Justice Nolan varied the order to enable

undertaking in damages, the value of the realizable property should be maintained in order that it might be available to satisfy any confiscation order. proceedings for the payment by the father of a lump sum of Mr Justice Nolan's exercise of

£25,000 to the son in settlement of the claim for periodical payments, lump sum and propthe power to vary the restraint order was entirely consonant with that purpose. The father was an unconvicted accused The father thereafter applied to Mr Justice McNeill to vary person who was entitled to ask that his son's education should not be interrupted. But the anticipatory discharge of liabilities which could be expected to arise only after he had been acquitted or convicted, and in the event of his

the restraint order to enable him to comply with the consent order. The judge made the order sought. Shortly afterwards the father was convicted of drug trafficking offences. The crown court had deferred sentence, not yet knowing what assets were available for any possible confiscation order.

His Lordship said that section 13(2), which gave general guid-ance, lay at the heart of the

Mr Laws had pointed out that a court faced with making or varying a restraint order was solely concerned with the preservation of assets at a time when it could not be known whether the accused would be whether the accused would be acquired or convicted. Such a jurisdiction was closely analogous to that exercised by the courts in relation to Mareva injunctions and might, not inaccurately, be referred to as a drugs Act Mareva. Under the Mareva injunction the interrest. Mareva jurisdiction the interests of the potential judgment cred-itor had to be balanced against those of actual creditors and or the defendant himself who might succeed in the action.

Section 13(2) was consistent with such a purpose, subject to what Mr Laws had called a legislative steer, namely, that so far as it was reasonable taking account of the fact that the accused might be acquitted and that, unlike the Mareva jurisdiction, there was no counter-

conviction, his property had been made subject to a confiscation order. was an entirely different matter and was wholly contrary to section 13(2) and the underlying purpose of the protective provisions of the Act.

In so far as there was a conflict

between the court order in the divorce proceedings and the restraint order, it should have

been resolved in favour of the restraint order. The father had the necessary assets for the registrar to have made his order, but they were made his order, but they were not available assets and the register should have expressly provided in his order that it was only to take effect if and when the restraint order was dis-charged or varied to such extent as would permit of his order being satisfied.

His Lordship was not criticizing the registrar who might well not have been fully informed of the position. He would allow the appeal and set aside the order of Mr Justice McNeill. Lord Justice Nourse and Lord

Justcie Mann delivered concurring judgments. Solicitors: Solicitor, Customs

and Excise; Roscoe-Phillips.

Judge rightly excluded manslaughter

Regina v Kearney Before Lord Justice Neill, Mr Justice Leonard and Mr Justice Swinton Thomas Liudement April 251

Despite the fact that counsel for the appellant had addressed the jury on the basis that the death of the deceased had been accidental and that they coul therefore, return a verdict of manslaughter, the trial judge had been right, in the particular circumstances of the case, to direct the jury on the murder count only, that is, that it was

murder or nothing. The Court of Appeal so held in dismissing the appeal of John Philip Kearney against his conviction on October 30, 1986 at Maidstone Crown Court (Mr Justice Steyn and a jury) of murder. He had pleaded guilty to charges of robbery and of possessing a firearm with intent to commit an indictable offence.

He had been sentenced to life imprisonment for murder, 15 years for robbery and five years for the firearms offence. On two latter offences the sentence for robbery was reduced to 12 years, making a total determ nate sentence of 17 years concurrent with the sentence for

Mr Neil Taylor, QC, assigned by the Registrar of Criminal Appeals, for the appellant; Mr Daniel Hollis, QC and Miss Susan Edwards for the Crown.

LORD JUSTICE NEILL said that in January 1985 the appel-lant and two other men had entered a jeweller's shop in Canterbury and that in the course of 2 robbery the shopowner had been shot dead by a revolver bullet fired at very close range. Later that night the appellant had been arrested in possession of the revolver.

In the course of submissions on behalf of the appellant the jury had been asked to consider an alternative defence to the charge of murder. It had been said that the jury might come to the conclusion that the revolver was carried and fired by the

It had, therefore, been conreached that even if the jury reached such a conclusion they would still have to be satisfied that at the moment when be had fired the appellant's intention had been to kill the deceased or cause him really serious harm and it was submitted that the had not proved the requisite intention

Before he began his summing up the judge told counsel that he proposed to direct the jury on the count of murder that it was murder or nothing. Counsel for the appellant pointed out that he had addressed the jury on the basis that they could return a verdict of manslaughter but the judge made it clear that he proposed to leave to the jury the choice between murder and an acquittal on that count.

The crucial question was whether the judge was obliged as a matter of law to direct the jury to consider an alternative verdict of manslaughter or whether he was constrained to do so by the way in which the case had

been conducted on behalf of the

In their Lordships' judgment the judge had been entitled on the facts of the case to take the view that it would have introduced an unnecessary degree of complexity to give them a direction as to the circum-stances in which killing in the course of a criminal enterprise ould amount to manslaughter.

The decision had not amounted to an error in law nor had it been a cause of unfairness nor a reason to regard the verdict of murder as in any way unsafe or unsatisfactory.

It was important to remember that the appellant had already pleaded guilty to two other serious counts and the indee might well have concluded, as he was entitled to do, that the issue should be left in as simple a form as possible. Their Lordships were sat

isfied that there were no grounds for interfering with the verdict Solicitors: Director of Public

No power to hear time refusal appeal

Mahmood

Before Lord Justice Parker and Lord Justice Nicholls [Judgment April 18]

The Court of Appeal had no jurisdiction to entertain an appeal from the judge's refusal to extend the time for bringing an appeal from a master's order. The Court of Appeal so held.

in granting leave to appeal but dismissing an appeal brought by the defendant, Khalid Mah-mood, from the refusal of Mr Justice Whitford to extend the time for bringing an appeal against the order of Master Cholmondely-Clarke in a partnership action brought against him by the plaintiffs. Shahid Bokhari and Mohammed Amin. Mr Soofi Din for the defendant: Mr Daniel Gerrans for the

LORD JUSTICE NICH-OLLS, giving the judgment of the court, said that the partner-ship was ordered to be dissolved with the usual order for ac-counts and inquiries. The mas-ter gave directions for service of ter gave directions for service o evidence and for discovery. The defendant had not complied with the order for discovery and the master had made an order barring him from adducing ce at the hearing on the accounts.

Subsequently the master made an order that the defen-dant pay to the plaintiffs sums totalling over £650,000. The defendant, who was then acting in person, gave notice of appeal from the accounts order but no such notice was given in respect of the barring order.

The defendant was repesented at the hearing of the appeals before the judge and, at the outset, an application made was to extend time for appealing against the barring order. The judge refused the application and dismissed the appeal

The defendant applied to the Court of Appeal for leave to appeal both from the judge's refusal to extend time for appealing the barring order and from his dismissal of the appeal against the accounts order.

After reviewing the facts the court concluded that but for the question of jurisdiction it would have granted the defendant leave to appeal from the judge's refusal to extend time and allowing the appeal, would have remitted the matter for the appeal from the barring order to be heard, and adjourned the appeal against the accounts

However, the question arose as to whether the Court of Appeal had jurisdiction to extend time. Order 58, rule 1 of the Rules of the Supreme Court, read with Order 3, rule 5. provided for an appeal to a judge in chambers from any order of a master with power for the court to extend time for bringing the appeal. Order 58, d, subject to section 18 of the Supreme Court

Act 1981, for an appeal from any judgment, decision or order of the judge in chambers to the Court of Appeal.

By section 16 of the 1981 Act the Court of Appeal had jurisdiction to hear and determine appeals from "any judgment or order of the High Court". Section 18(1)(b) excluded appeals from an order allowing an extension of time for appealing

from a judgment or order. For the purposes of either section 16 or Order 58, rule 6, there was no material distinc-tion between an order refusing to extend time and one which granted the extension. Accordingly a refusal was as much susceptible of an appeal as was a Parliament in enacting sec-

the Court of Appeal against the judge's refusal to extend time.

tion 18(1)(b), could not be taken as having intended that there should be no right of appeal to

been the same regarding a refusal to extend time it could have easily included the appro-

In Lane v Esdaile ([1891] AC 210) the House of Lords held that it had no jurisdiction to entertain an appeal from a decision of the Court of Appeal refusing to grant leave to appeal

The ratio of that decision was that the purpose sought to be achieved by the requirement that after the expiration of the time limits there was to be no appeal, except with leave of the Court of Appeal, showed that a decision of the appellate court not to grant leave was intended to be final and that accordingly its decision was not an order vithin the relevant provisions.

In Podherry v Peake ([1981] Ch 344) an applicant had sought leave to appeal out of time from a decision of a county court

cluded an appeal against the judge's decision to extend time tor appealing, and if it had intended the position to have from that refusal was sought from the Court of Appeal Holding that it had no jurisdiction to entertain the appeal, the court referred to Lane v Esdaile and applied the reasoning in that case, mutatis muandis. 10 an appeal against a refusal to

extend time.
That decision was binding and was not distinguishable. Accordingly, the court was bound to decide that it had no jurisdiction to hear the appea from Mr Justice Whitford refus-ing to extend the time for appealing the barring order. Although not expressly ex-cluded by statute, the judge's decision was not reviewable.

The court would grant leave to appeal, the point of jurisdic tion being arguable, but would dismiss the appeal. Leave to appeal to the House of Lords would be granted. Solicitors: Fisher Meredith:

Relevance of children as witnesses in cases involving gross indecency

Before Lord Lane, Lord Chief Justice, Mr Justice Rose and Mr Justice Hazan [Judgment April 25]

Constituents of an act of gross indecency towards a child, con-trary to section I(1) of the Indecency with Children Act 1960, were considered by the Court of Appeal when quashing a conviction for an offence under the section.

Their Lordships allowed an appeal by Colin Leslie Francis, aged 42, of Dixon Road, South Norwood, London, from his conviction at Winchester Crown Court (Judge McCreery, QC and a jury) on two counts of indecency with boys aged about 13. He was fined £100 on each count and ordered to pay £740 prosecution costs.

Section 1 provides: "(1) Any person who commits an act of gross indecency with or towards a child under the age of 14 [is guilty of an offence]".

Mr G. J. C. Still, assigned by the Registrar of Criminal Ap-peals, for the appellant, Mr Gavin Chalmers, who did not appear below, for the Crown.

The LORD CHIEF JUS-TICE, giving the judgment of the court, said that the appellant, driving home to London from Bournemouth, stopped at Salisbury for a swim. After swimming be went into

the changing area and two boys complained that he was turbating. There was a good deal of discrenancy between the

The appellant denied the offences and the primary complaint on appeal was that the judge misdirected the jury about the constitutents of the offence.

Mr Still had belpfully referred to DPP v Burgess ([1971] 1 QB 432), in which Lord Parker said that there were not two offences of gross indecency in section 1(1) but one, namely, the committing of an act of gross indecency involving a child; that is, "with or towards a child" was to be great as a phrase. was to be read as a phrase.

It seemed to their Lordships that the act of a man masturbating in the presence of youngsters under the age of 14 might or might not, according to the circumstances, be an act in contravention of section 1(1).

If a man did masturbate in the presence of children it might be thought that they were not observing what he was doing. In that case there could be, in their Lordships's view, no question of his acting towards the children — he did not involve the children in his actions.

On the other hand, where a man masturbated in the pres-ence of children watching him, whether be had deliberately attracted their attention or not. and was deriving excitement from the fact that they were watching him masturbating, then, in their Lordships' view, he could truly be said to be committing the act of gross indecency towards the children who were watching and whose observations were acting on him

to what he was doing.

There was little difference between the sides in the view they took about those matters. The real question on appeal was whether the judge sufficiently explained to the jury that, at the root of their deliberations that was the question they had to decide before concluding be-yond reasonable doubt that the appellant had committed an offence.

A number of passages in the summing up included the state-ment that it was quite sufficient to establish the offence if the behaviour properly described as grossly indecent was in the presence of the children, the purpose of such an offender being, of course, to obtain sexual satisfaction for himself towards the children.

The jury might very well have been left with the belief that masturbation merely in the presence of the children was sufficient. The judge did not the act had to be directed towards the children, the offender at the very least deriving satisfaction from the knowledge that the children were watching what he was doing.

In short their Lordships had concluded that the judge did not, in his direction, make it clear precisely what the matters were that they had to decide. They had no option but to quash the conviction.

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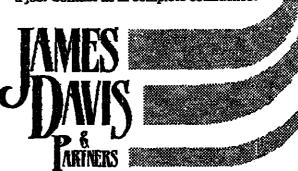
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Why Davis is hooked on winning



THE WINNERS

Sport's supreme achievers are, by definition, a rare

breed. Simon Barnes has talked to three

such sportsmen to try to uncover the qualities which keep them at

the top year after year. Today: Steve Davis

adulation everywhere you go, and get paid a fortune, and all for doing something you love. Surely that beats the hell out of working for a living. It is also widely accepted that

sports people are often boorish, cantankerous, moody, aggressive, sulky and generally prone to acting the spoilt brat. Naturally, people get furious with them; how can athletes behave so badly when their lot is so utterly enviable? The answer to this conundrum is

simple: being an athlete is not, in truth, easy. Athletes are probably the twitchiest, most insecure peo-ple in the world: their ultradefensiveness, their boorishness, their regular fits of utter gracelessness all come down to the same thing: a highly competitive job makes people horribly jumpy and insecure. And there is no more competitive job than competition.

It is not the money, or not just the money. Athletes do not think about money at all, not when they play. Mostly, they play with a frightening obsession with win-ning, or, as often, with a frightening obsession with defeat, and how they might avoid it.

And as the sports industry grows ever bigger, faster, higher, stronger, more dangerous and ever more competitive, it is no wonder that the lot of the human beings, those at the sharp end, becomes more difficult to cope with. It follows, then, that winners, real winners, the mega-winners, the constant, year-after-year, awe-inspiring, breathtakingly successful true winners, the people by whom all other contenders are judged, must have something truly remarkable about them, something altogether bizarre

"I haven't got any interests," Steve Davis said. "You find snooker that absorb-

ing?" I asked. "I do. I'm a freak, in that way, I

suppose. Because obviously no-body else finds it as absorbing as I

"Well — what do you enjoy most in the world?"

"I'm probably at my happiest when I've been playing badly. And

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FOOTBALL

Receivers

feature in

NFL draft

By Robert Kirley

contract, and they went through the formality of selecting him No. I in the draft. The Dallas

Cowboys used their second choice (41st overall) to pick Ken Norton jnr, of UCLA, a line-backer and son of the former

world heavyweight boxing

The Washington Redskins, winners of Super Bowl XXII last January, did not have a turn in

the first round because they recently signed Wilber Marshall from the Chicago Bears. Choosing last in the second round, the

Redskins selected a kicker, Chip Lohmiller, from Minnesota.

The teams that meet at Wembley in American Bowl '88 used their first choices on defensive ends. The Miami Dolphins

selected Eric Kumerow, of Ohio

State, and the San Francisco 49ers chose Danny Stubbs, of the University of Miami, early

ost people believe then I get down on the practice table and it all starts to come back athlete is enviable.

You get love and something that's forever going on, something that's forever going on, you're forever going out of tune. And every time you do it, it's ah! Bloody 'ell, I've been standing a bit wrong. And it all falls into place, and I think, cor! I'm looking forward to the next tournament."

very one who has ever watched a British woman play at Wimbledon knows that the ability to win is quite different to the ability to play well. Davis said:
"People say, 'I'd rather play well
and lose than play badly and win'. That's all very well, but you're more pleased with yourself if you've played badly and won. To me, that's a much more important thing to do. Winning is the constant confirmation that you are doing your job right. And if you don't get this reassurance, you start to doubt. If you talk to winners, you get a very positive attitude — you should talk to winners who have since become losers."

"Well," I said, "you've been there yourself, haven't you?" I was referring to what is probably the most famous snooker match ever played, in which Davis was defeated on the last black by Dennis Taylor for the world championship

"Yes. The trauma of that defeat was a lot bigger than anything else. I remember the couple of days after. I remember when it hit me, in the bath. I had a big depression in the bath. But the thing is, I've always been basically optimistic. I've never looked back at things that were bad. I've always tried to work out why they were bad - and then do something about it."

In that awesome game against Taylor, Davis had his chance at the black. He missed, of course. "Fun-nily enough, I don't regret missing the ball. I think you are allowed to miss balls. It is much more of a problem if you start to think wrong. am much more worried if I miscount the score, than if I miss a ball. You're allowed to play bad shots. But if you play a bad tactical shot, through panic, then it's a real kick in the nuts, a real blow to your

"It is rare to see a player go totally out the window. When you do, it is not because they are



missing balls, but because they are not thinking right. They go for a pot when they should be playing safety, because they are desperate to get a ball in; they play a safety shot when they should have attacked, because they are frightened of missing ... once you lose the happiness in your game, you start to think wrong."

Davis came back from the Taylor game to re-establish himself as the dominant force in the game. In the previous season he scarcely lost a match: he bestrides the modern game like a colossus. Every tournament is a further test of his dominance: but it is his relish for that constant testing of his ability

"There is a clear difference between you and the other players,

on the job. I have to take things

away from myself, like a monk.

and his will that is crucial to his

success. Indeed, it is more than

crucial: it is intoxicating to him,

and, in the final analysis, quite

He goes into every tournament, every match, with some renowned death's head seriousness: "I have.

"That's the way I like it to be. I feel that if I were to enjoy myself at

to. A lot of people don't like my attitude, but it is the only way I can guarantee that my mind is totally "But you like the whole process?

not be at the tournament."

"The thrill I get from the game is the preparation, like the revision for an exam — and the doing of it. I enjoy preparing myself, I enjoy the continual test. People say, 'You've won the world championship, you've earned a lot of money, you

a tournament, I'd get worried. If I

started enjoying things outside snooker, at a tournament, then I'd

worry that I was not enjoying the

snooker. Like if you go to a film before you go to the dentist: it's

because you don't really want to go

to the dentist at all. I feel that a lot

of the players would really rather

can't need anything else. But it doesn't work like that. You want to test yourself again. It's like a drug. The adrenalin you produce becomes an addiction. "So the process of winning a

tournament involves turning yourself into a monomaniac for the

duration of the event?" Exactly And I get depressed after every tournament. Whether I win or lose. It's always an anticlimax. I am more depressed if I

lose, sure, but I get a depression of a certain type when I win. Because it's finished, you see." "You are easily the best player

when it comes to winning tournaments. Are there players with greater abilities at simply playing

"Yes. Many. In different ways: Jimmy White's cue power, Cliff Thorburn's concentration, Willie Thorne's break-building, Joe Johnson's fluency, Neal Foulds's long potting. Dennis Taylor's tactical ability.

he list is produced with alarming fluency. "But the thing with me is that I have a good average at sobers. I mentioned all those players with greater abilities than mine in certain areas: I still would not decry my own abilities in those areas. A graph of my abilities would be a straight line; about 75 per cent at everything. I have no weaknesses. Other players will have graphs like this." And Davis sketched a profile in the air of the Andes. "And this is something I have always aimed at, always worked on.

"So we are back with technique, and practice?"

"Yes. And the luck of the "Which is also something you

have worked at." "I think I have used it to my advantage — but I was also born

It is the mechanics of the game that absorbs Davis. All golfers are obsessed by their game's mechanics: Davis is constantly amazed that the same over-riding concern does not exist in snooker. Davis's taste for self-analysis, of his game and of his own nature, has created the method for his success.

A normal player will practise every bit as much as Davis, but he will tend to spend more time smacking balls about, enjoying making centuries, or what have you: rather like a concert pianist practising by playing his favourite tunes. Davis is a meticulous player of scales and arpeggios and five-finger exercises: "It's beneficial, it's therapeutic, and I love doing it. Because my enjoyment is not necessarily in the winning, but in the doing of it."

TOMORROW

Willie Shoemaker

The committee at this meeting charged pedestrians £3 for entry after locking one of the gates giving access to the course. Much revenue appeared to be lost, however, as to avoid a detour, the drivers of many cars purked outside the locked gate, the occupants climbing over to

Dalgan in command for Cecil

Henry Cecil has endured rehopefuls this year, but the champion trainer has a useful second division colt in Dalgan, who came home unchallenged under Steve Cauthen in the Prince of Wales Graduation Stakes at Brighton yesterday.

"We've nothing special planned for him, but at least this proves most of Henry's horses are needing a run before reaching their peak," said Johnny Lewis, racing manager to Dalgan's owner, Prince Faisal

The Prince has 10 horses in training this season, shared equally between Cecil and John

Iron King finished tailed off last when strongly fancied at Epsom last week, but made amends in style with a runaway four-length victory in the Or-leans Maiden Stakes.

Speedily out of the stalls, Richard Hannon's grey was soon in command and came home unchallenged from Jay

The Wittshire trainer is still baffled by Iron King's Epsom flop. "We had our stones on him that day, and I'm totally mystified as to what went wrong," he said. "We had him tested and nothing was wrong. Make no mistake, he is a useful two-year-old and kicks older horses out of the way at home."

Say You paid a first instalment on the 5,600 guineas he cost to buy out of Pat Mitchell's trainer Paul Howling Guildford trainer Paul Howling his first winner of the season in the Town Purse Handicap.

Mecca-Dante likely to hold key to Derby

The Mecca-Dante Stakes, which has produced the last two Derby winners. Reference Point and Shahrastani, again looks like being one of the most informative of the Epsom trials (George Rae writes).

Fifty-seven acceptors remain - from an original entry of 108 with all the Derby market leaders, including the favourite Doyoun, holding the engagment. Michael Stoute, the trainer of Doyoun, has six entries, but it is Clive Brittain, with seven, including the Guardian Classic Trial winner Galitzin, who holds the numerically strongest hand. cally strongest hand

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Maradona and Gullitt fuel | Bolstering | Flanagan is equal supporters to fever pitch

Ten people were taken to hospital with stab wounds and a further 10 were arrested as fighting broke out between rival with Napoli, the Italian league leaders, to set up the "match of the season" against the Ruud Gullitt-inspired AC Milan on

Wide receivers were prominent among players selected in the National Football League's an-nual college draft, which was held on Sunday and yesterday. In a year in which the pool of Despite police mounting a available student talent is massive operation and an inspired performance and a goal from Diego Maradona, the 7,000 officers on duty and two considered thin at several posit-ions - remarkably, a quarterback was not chosen until the third round - six receivers were helicopters circling Verona were selected in the first round, led by unable to stop the rival support-Tim Brown, who won the Heisman Trophy as the leading college player last season. He was chosen sixth, by the Los Angeles Raiders. ers running amok. Umberto Lucchesi, the Verona police chief, said: "Something must be done; we just can't go on like this. It's like a war every week." The Atlanta Falcons recently signed the linebacker, Aundray Bruce, to a five-year, \$4.1 million (about £2.2 million)

And the war of words is already hotting up between Maradona and Gullitt as the World Cup-winning captain returned to his best form but could not prevent the champions slipping to within a point of AC Milan as Gullitt scored in the 2-0 victory over Inter Milan.

"It was the best game of the championship and the best of my career," Gullitt, the Euro-

ARGENTINIAN: Racing (Córdoba) 0, Newell's Old Boys 4; Gamnasia Esgrima La Piata 3, Pisterise 2: Argentanos Juniors 0, San Lorarzo de Almagro 1; Independiente 3, Barriield 2; Instituto (Córdoba) 2, Boca Juniors 2; River Piata 1, Talleras (Córdoba) 0; Deportivo Departio 0, Racing Club 2; Velez Sarsfield 1, Unión 1; Deportivo America 0, Ferro Carril Cesta 0; Rosarlo Central 1, Estudiantes de la Piata 1, Leading positions: 1, Newell's Old Boys 46pts; 2, San Lorenzo de Almagro, 43; 3, River Piate and Racing Cauta, 41.

29, 36; 3, Sturm Graz, 29, 33.
BELGIAN: Beerschot 2, Lokeren 2; Warsgem 3, Charlett 0; Wintersiag 0, Mechelen 0; Stient 0, Racing Jef 0; Beveren 0, Korrijk 2; Andertscht 8, Antwerp 0; Cercle Bruges 1, Standard Lege 1; FC Lege 1, 31 Traiden 0; Molembeck 0, Club Bruges 2, Leading poetions: 1, Club Bruges, played 30, 45pts; 2, Mechelen, 30, 44; 3, Antwerp, 30, 44

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play the game of the season." But Maradona retorted as AC

Milan were offered an extra bonus of £85,000 per man if they win the title: "I've been waiting for Sunday's match since we lost to Milan in December. With one point advantage, I already feel like a league champion." While the season has now

reached fever pitch in Italy, Madrid was turned into bedlam as Real Madrid clinched their 23rd Spanish championship. Real completed their triumph with four matches to go with a 6-0 win over Real Betis There was little comfort for

the championship front runners in other European countries. Benfica lost all hope of catching Porto in Portugal when they rested most of their team, while their Dutch rivals in the Euro-pean Cup final, PSV Eindhoven, also went down, although they have already clinched the title. In West Germany, Werder Bremen, who squandered a four-point lead with four matches to

OVERSEAS RESULTS

DUTCH: FC Den Bosch 1, FC Utrecht 0;

style — a trait common to Bayern Munich. "What do you want?" Willi Lemke, the man-ager asked after the lacklustre goalless draw with Naremberg.
"It's no scandal if we play like
Bayern in previous years — quite the opposite, it's an honour." Lothar Matthaeus, who

the championship in cautious

signed with Inter Milan for next season last week for a fee of £2.2 million, kept Bayern five points behind Werder by scoring in the 1-1 draw with Karlsrahe, while. Thomas Allofs made his come-back after a five-month lay-off. through injury to help Cologne draw level with Bayern after beating Borussia Mönchengladbach.

With four matches left, FC Bruges pulled two points clear from their rivals at the top of the Belgian league with a comfortable 2-0 away win over RWD
Molenbeek. Royal Antwerp
crashed 6-0 at Anderlecht and
Mechelen, the European Cup
Winners' Cup finalists, were held to a goalless draw by Winterslag, the bottom club.

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ROMANIAN: Brasov 1, Otekul Gelatzi 0; Bacau 1, Sucaeva 0; Racara Moreni 1, Seaua Bucharest 4; Arges Pinssi 1, Rapid Bucharest 1; Universitanea Crauova 2, Polnechnica Timescara 0; Victoria Bucharest 3, Gul Napoca 0; Tirgu Mures 0, Dinamo Bucharest 2; Sportul Bucharest 3, Corvinul Humedoara 1; Petrolul Ploiesti 1, Ott 0. Leading positione: 1, Seaua Bucharest played 24, 44pts; 2, Dinamo Bucharest, 24, 44; 3, Victoria Bucharest, 24, 31.
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ICE HOCKEY

By Norman de Mesquita

The 1987-88 season saw the British game advance on one or two fronts, but let itself down badly on others. The most important step forward was in officiating, with the appointment of Nico Toeman, of The Netherlands, as referee-in-chief, adding a top-class referee to the Heineken League panel with the purpose of assisting the improvement of British of-

However, Toeman's administrative powers were often questioned and there were too many occasions when a match had to be postponed because of the non-arrival of on-ice officials. As a result, the premier division programme was incomplete again and, if the sport is to maintain credibility, this must not be repeated.

Another disturbing trend is the concentration of top talent in a few clubs. The reason is, of course, money and, while higher salaries attract quality imports who can help their British colleagues to improve, the poorer clubs are in danger of being left behind. There was far too great a gap between the top and better of the poorer of the poorer of the poorer of the part better of the part o and bottom of the premier

It was even worse in the first division, where regionalization was not a success, particularly in the north, with 100 many teams below strength. The southern only Richmond failing to come up to scratch, and Telford very nearly embarrassing Peterborough in the promotion/ relegation playoff.

The Heineken championships at Wembley were a resounding success with capacity crowds for all three games and Durham Wasps deservedly winning for the second successive year. Murrayfield Racers had a Liverpool-like run during the closing weeks of the season to retain their premier division title and qualify for Europe once again.

The Racers were the first British team to win in Europe when successful against Bulgar-ian opposition last autumn, but were totally out of their depth in the next round in Rotterdam. The most encouraging aspect

of the British game is the continued advance at junior level. Spectators at Wembley early on Sunday were treated to a display of skill and commit-ment by Nottingham Cougars and Fife Flames in the final of the British junior cham-In a keenly contested match

ending 4-2 in Nottingham's favour, there were obvious signs of improvement in these young-sters, which augurs well for the future of British ice hockey.

to the challenge By Patricia Davis The Irish are often perceived as slightly eccentric by those with a

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sugney eccentric by mose with a more serious approach to life and there are people in the world of golf who think that Joe Flanagan must be just such a person. For, at the age of 60, this affable, roly-poly figure, who ran the Carrolls Irish Open for an the Carrolls Irish Open for a people wasterness. ran the Carrolls frish Open for seven years until his recent retirement, decided to mp sticks, move to England and take charge of the women's European tour. It was a job made especially taxing because the women had left the shelter of the Professional Golfers' Association and were launching themselves anew. Two weeks into his three-year

contract and with his first tournament behind him, the new executive director of the Wom-en's Professional Golfers European tour, to give his full title, professed himself impressed with many of the things he had seen, not least the quality of play from his members and their general mood of optimism.

Flanagan is not inclined to see himself and his charges, as some Press comment had suggested, as minnows swimming in a sea of sharks. "I prefer to look at myself as a piranha," he said, giving an indication that there is a strong-minded, professional man behind the friendly, chatty

"I would not have come out, changed country, changed home, if I didn't believe the tour had a future. I'm going to make sure it does. We have to believe in ourselves, have faith and forget the doubting Thomases. The women didn't just step wildly over the brink. They were well advised, particularly on the legal side and while the PGA had other interests to consider, we have only one objective — to promote and develop the tour."

Flanagan believes he has a very saleable commedity and part of his job will be to persuade sponsors, and particularly the public, that he has. "We could have had two more tournaments this year if we'd had the faith, but we must set more more less." but we must get more people to come out and watch," he said. "I'd pever seen the women professionals play before I went to the Marbella Open and I was most impressed. It's a lesson in golf and I think many people don't realize just how good they

his most important assets, Laura Davies and Trish John-Son, are committed to playing in America, but he believes they can both be of enormous benefit to the tour and hopes they will play a full part in its development

Davies, who enjoys the organized, efficient set-up in the United States but has a soft spot for Europe, will be pleased to know that Flanagan is atterly



Flanagan: strong minded dedicated to running the WPG "to the highest professional standard, nothing slipshod. For example," he said, "each event will be run by a toursament director who will be responsible for all aspects of it from start to finish. I'm not a great believer in refusing responsibility and it refusing responsibility and it makes it much easier if one man is in charge."

is in charge."

Flanagan, who helped make the Irish Open one of the most efficiently run and enjoyable tournaments on the men's circuit, ruefully admits to a relative lack of money in his present job. "I'd a hell of a lot of money at Carrolls and I think they're only now discovering just how much they spent. Here we'll be keeping a careful eye on costs. There'll be no first-class fares anywhere and we'll he cratino. anywhere and we'll be cutting anywhere and we'll be chiling our cloth according to our measure. Often, as you start so you go on and it's vital that we establish ourselves on a sound financial basis. We're very new and have to make the measure of the control of and have to make sure we can stand up before we walk."

Until now the WPG has been based in one of the PGA's offices at The Belfry, but Flanagan disliked "feeling like a squatter" and is delighted to be moving to new premises early next month at the Tytherington Club in Cheshire. "I think it will be a great more," Flanagan said.

An outgoing, friendly man, Flanagan is no fool and is not blind to the difficulties he faces. "The first couple of days, I was ploughing through all the back-ground, away from home, living out of a suitcase and saying. "Why, why?" to myself. But I love golf, I love being involved in the organizational and administrative side of it and the challenge, that's the exciting challenge, that's the exciting

"Bridle, my wife, said to me that she knew I wasn't right for retirement and I was bored silly. It didn't matter whether it was

POINT-TO-POINT

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Paddy's

Peril

By Brian Beel

The Lady Dudley Cup once again eluded Paddy's Peril, one of the leading point-to-pointers over the last three seasons, at the Wercestershire on Saturday.

Second in the two previous

runnings of this race, Paddy's

Peril, with his joint-owner John Deutsch aboard, was made favourite ahead of Ludlow

hunter chase winner, North

Willy Bryan and Haven Pat-

rick led to approaching the 15th fence and, after the running had

been taken up by North Key,

were still in close contention

when slipping up after the next.

Paddy's Peril then began to

close, but he never got better than a length behind and was

still this distance in arrears when he hit the last and fell. This left Alistair Ulyet on North

Key a distance clear of Norman Case (Philip Mathias).

After missing the Heart of All

England it was surprising to see Karacter Reference turn out, and win, a very ordinary adjacent hunts race at the Bramham Moor where Jelupe impressed in the restricted.

The five wins of Karacter Reference puts him one behind the chasing contender for the Grand Marnier trophy, Prince

Pippin, who was beaten into third place behind Scotch On The Rock at the Pegasus.

Out in front, however, is

Stanwick Lad who, with usual rider John Sharp aboard, had little trouble in winning the open at the Essex and Suffolk to bring his total for the season to

The 1982 Waterford Crystal Supreme Novices Hurdle champion, Miller Hill, now 12

years old, has had a quiet time in recent years not having won any

race since he was seven.

A change of fortune occurred when he made his point-to-point debut, under Chris Willett, at the East Sussex and Romney Marsh. Earlier in the season he had been placed in both his hunter chase appearances, but in the open at this meeting showed a clean pair of heels to Colonel Henry and market leader, Betty's Pearl.

John Wrathall, has been

John Wrathall has been

plagued by injuries since early

last season but he was back in form at the Atherstone with a double on Durban Gold and Sunday Champers.

There was a thrilling finish in the BFSS race at the South and West Wilts with Navigational Aid, under Mike Felton, rallying to win by a head after losing the

lead two out and being behind the runner up, Recycled, and the favourite, Redenham, at the

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retirement and I was noted sully. It didn't matter whether it was Monday or Friday. The carpet slippers just didn't take and I don't regret the move in the slightest. It's wonderful to be in at the start of something new."

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Henry Cecil, successful list year with Reference Point, his fur entries, headed by Sanguirco, still standing, while a Guy Harwood-trained quartet includes Tralos and Undercut.

3.45 EMPIRE HANDICAP STAKES (£3,233: 1m 3f 150yd) (14 runners)

Long bandicap: Jabaraba 7-5, Benisa Ryder 7-4, Go West 7-4. Fourth Protocol 7-2. Baby Boy 5-11.

BETTING: 7-2 Pices, 4-1 Merce Cunningham, 9-2 Rio Piedras, 8-1 Cathedral Peak, Song Of Sxpence, 10-1 Go West, 12-1 Star Of Iraland, 14-1 Others.

1987: BUTTS BAY 5-7-9 R Fox (33-1) J Old 11 ran

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4.45 BLATHWAYT MAIDEN STAKES (Div II: 3-Y-O: £1,299: 1m 3f 150yd) (12 runners)

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BETTING: 3-1 Don Florenzo, 7-2 Red Hackle, 9-2 Ecu D'or, 6-1 Sunny Heights, 10-1 Go Forum, 12-1 French Daddy, Lake Mission, 16-1 others.

1987: NO CORRESPONDING DIVISION

FORM DON FORENZO (8-12) 3%1 3rd to Carrol House (8-12) at Newbury (1m, 59.56, good to soft, April 5, 23 ran).

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MILSTOCK (9-0) 8th.

Long handicap: Chic-Anita 7-6, Viking Burner 7-2, Shanghai Bowler 7-2, Dusky Nancy 7-1. Coqueta

RETTRIC: 4-1 Thethingsboutitis, 9-2 Colombiere, 11-2 Vison Gris, 6-1 Westmead, 15-2 Set Pattern, 8-1 Aligura, 10-1 Seyant, 12-1 Sexton, 16-1 others.

1987: ASHWA 8-8 T Quinn (9-2) P Cole 15 ran

5.15 ILCHESTER HANDICAP STAKES (23,336; 1m 8yd) (17 runners)

3.30 BYWELL MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £1,349: 2m) (10 runners)

4.0 WESTHORPE HANDICAP STAKES (£2.523: 1m 4f) (13 runners)

BETTING: 13-8 Jameica George, 11-4 Potsen Paddy, 4-1 Georgian Melody, 10-1 Kraybourne, 12-1 Whisky Trail, 14-1 One For The Pot, 20-1 others.

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1967: FOUR STAR THRUST 5-9-8 S Perks (7-1) R Whittaker 10 ran

4.30 MOUNT ST JOHN GRADUATION STAKES (3-Y-O; £2,159: 6f) (20 runners)

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601-0 MARKSTYLE 14 (D,S) (A Dickinson) J Pearce 9-4.

4120-0 MARTIAL LAW 10 (F) (Shelish Mohasmad) J W Watts 9-4.

232-1 WATTLEMEADE 22 (J Sign) (B Weishborth K Brassy 9-4.

1200-0 FULL BLAST 10 (D,F) (W Fouracres) Mrs N Macauley 9-1.

9-00 CHERRY STREET 22 (J Sewart) Mrs J Ramaden 8-11.

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BETTING: 6-4 Final Pass, 9-4 Wattlemeede, 11-2 Martiel Law, 10-1 Lono Tild, 14-1 Decoy Express, 16-1 Catalant, 20-1 others.

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Selection: LOVELY EARS

SUNNY HEIGHTS (9-0) 1 % I 3rd to Minster Son (9-0) at Newbury (71, £4,673, good to firm, Aug 15, 27 ran) with EDENLAD (9-0) and RED NACKUE (9-0) behind.

WESTNEAD (9-0) 9%1 4th to Winmoss (8-11) at Nottingham (1m-50yd, £1,320, heavy, April 4, 12 ran).

ran; THETHINGABOUTITIS (8-7) beat Masons Avenue (7-8) 21/1 at Wolverhampton with SEXTON (8-9) in 8th and SHANGHAI BONLER (8-4) behind (1m, 52,233, good to soft, April 12, 16 ran). Selection: COLOMBIERE

MERICE CUNNINGSHAM (8-8) 5% 3rd to Belle Postrine (8-5) at Doncaster (1m 21 140yd, 21,477, soft, June 27, 19 ran). CATHEDRAL PEAK (8-9) 19% 6th to Wujud (8-6) at Selection: PICEA

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FORM ALPURA (8-11) best Emms Tom Bay (8-0) a nack at Folkestone (71, 2969; good, April 18, 15 ran).

COLOMBIERE (8-0) best Norquay (9-0) 2%1 at Warwick (1m. 2959, good to soft, April 5, 28 ran).

VISON GRIS (8-11) 41 2nd to Lady Lustre (8-3) at Kempton with VIKING VENTURE (7-9) 20%1 7th (1m, 26,250, soft, April 4, 12 ran).

4.15 EBF HODCOTT MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £1,794; 5f) (14 runners)

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He began his career with an emphatic success in a Newbury maiden, but his claims here rest more soundly on seconds to Undercut at Goodwood and to Sanquirico at Sandown, both in group three contests. Acajou, for his part, con-cluded a fine first season with After missing the Heart of England it was surprising to a care with a very ordinary a facerat hunts more at a great with a more where the temperature of the five wins of known of know

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a five-length second to Caerwent, a leading contender for the 2,000 Guineas on Saturday, in the group one National Stakes at the Curragh.

Both are clearly good colts, but I am swayed towards Golden Wave by the fact that he has had a run and is likely to improve for it. He can make his superior fitness tell against the seasonal debutant Acajou.

Mahmunster won at Cagnes-sur-Mer early last month but steps up in class here, while the promising maidens Dead Net and Babil will probably have to wait a little longer for their turn.

However, Charlie Nelson, the trainer of Acajou, may have the answer to the second division of the Blathwayt Maiden Stakes with Sunny Heights. His third to Minster Son at Newbury last term suggested a race such as this would be within his capabilities, and he should be sharper for his run behind Watertight



RACING

Golden Wave has

Charlie Nelson, who saddles the fancied Sonny Heights

at Kempton earlier this Don Fiorenzo, third to Car-roll House in a good-class race at Newbury on his final start

last term, is nominated as the danger. In division one, Alkharif is better than his bare form figures suggest and, with re-

Twelve left in 1.000 Guineas

There were 12 runners declared at the four-day stage for Thursday's General Accident 1,000 Goineas at Newmarket. They are: Blnebook (G Starkey), Dabaweyas (W R Swinbarn), Dimianendo (S Cauthen), Ela Romara (Panl Eddery), Ghariba (M Roberts), Jungle Gold (B Rouse), Magic Of Life (Pat Eddery), Miss Boniface (-), Obeah (M Hills), Posada (J Reid), Ravinella (G Moore), Stop Day (W Carson). Stop Day (W Carson).

Blinkered first time BATH: 5.15 Sexton, THIRSK: 2.30 Cost-bridge Builder, 5.0 in A Spin,

3m 2f) (13)

well at home, he should give a good account of himself. However, I side with the Caerleon colt Welsh Guide, a fair second to Darnelle at Linefield last season and sure to be suited by this first attempt at middle distances.

ing that he has been working

For the nap, though, I go north to Thirsk, and Martial Law in the Mount St John Graduation Stakes. He has always been well regarded, and although his racecourse efforts have not yet lived up to his tall reputation he has run several creditable races in good company, including a win at Ayr.

Earlier in the season his trainer, Bill Watts, confessed to not being entirely sure about Martial Law's best trip, but a respectable run against some talented sprinters in a valuable race at Thirsk this month suggests that Martial Law's immediate future may lie over shorter trips.

straight-forward task for him in a big field, but that said it is still easier than most he has tackled previously.

This is by no means a

Jamaica George can step up on his third at Lingfield in the Bywell Stakes, while Runaway may continue his fine start to the season in the Huttons Ambo Handicap.

Summer must be coming now that evening racing is with us again, and on a tricky National Hunt programme at Folkestone which starts the season, Docklands Express is taken to win division one of the Mapes Novices' Hurdle.

6.30 MAPES NOVICES HURDLE (2685: 2m 6f) (8)

2 0413 CASHCANCN 28 F: G) N Henderson 6-11-6. J White 6 4000 PRIMERS SMACK 52 (S) B Byford 5-11-1. T Wooley (7) 10 40 BOLD CARR. 27 D Greig 5-11-0. Deals McKeown 13 90P/ HAVTHORD JACKS BS7 J Long B-11-0. B Wright 14 5000 HELLO ROCKY 61 Miss E Sneyl 7-11-0. B Wright 15 PP0 HENFOLD LANE 47 R Gow 5-11-0. R Rowell 26 0P00 TOWN JESTER 10 J Sayers 5-11-0. M Devices 27 P00 CELTIC CONTESSA 27 R Hoad 5-10-9. M Hoad (7) 10 DESTER 10 J SERVER 1 SERVER 1 SERVER 1 J CARP

BETTING: 1-5 Cashcanon, 5-1 Fishing Smack, 14-1 Town lester, 16-1 Bold Carl, 25-1 others.

7.0 WEARE NOVICES HANDICAP CHASE (£1,280:

35 8-90 DEVIL'S GOLD S R Shipherd 8-10-1 ... litra C Smallman

7.30 ALLFREY HANDICAP CHASE (£2,070: 2m 4f)

8 -20P TENESONG 47 (F.G) B Smart 9-10-9 R Damwoody 19 -402 STRAIGHT GIN 22 (CD.F) A Taylor 7-10-0. like A Taylor 20 400- HENNESSY HOUSE SSI (D.S) G Ripley 11-10-0 Mr A Kofeway (7)

21 43UD HALLO MATEY 47 (B) G Hubbard 7-10-0. R Supple (4)
22 40UP STRAIGHT LINE 153 (D.F.G.S) N Wheeler 15-10-0
BETTING: 11-4 Straight Gir. 7-2 Community Straight Care 7-2
BETTING: 11-4 Straight Gin, 7-2 Stoney Creek, 9-2 Kyoto, 6-1 Yacare, 8-1 Helio Matey, 10-1 Tenesong, 12-1 others.

8.0 SWALE HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,380: 2m 6f)

3 8P06 MY DOMINION 1SF (F.G.S) W Kemp 6-11-10 G MicCourt 7 613/ BANDELENG 686 (F.G) R Marping 8-11-5. C Livestys 10 U210 RONDEAU 24 (B.D.SF,F.S) R O'Sulfvan 5-10-13

17 (1925) 18 (1925) 19 (19

27 UGO CARO WOOD 372 (F) J Davies 7-10-0 M Furions 22 UGO CARO WOOD 372 (F) J Davies 7-10-0 M Furions 23 0000 DAME FLORA 10 (F) W Kemp 6-10-0 S Shifston 23 POSS RODNERS 18 (F) W G M Turner 8-10-0 W Invites (7) 30 POSS PREPACEN 11 (F) S Herris 6-10-0 S MicCrystal (7) 31 3800 FREPACEN 11 (F) S Herris 6-10-0 C Cox 33 -613 FLORS WONDER 217 (D,BF,F,G) J Davies 8-10-0

34 -008 CITLEY 27 G Hubbard 8-10-0 R Supple (4) 35 PPP- THISAH 346 (5) D Jermy 8-10-0 G Old BETTING: 5-2 Rondeau, 100-30 Riverside Orive, 9-2 Wood Singer, 6-1 Riori Wonder, 8-1 Moorland Lady, 10-1 others.

Course specialists

JOCKEYS: P Croucher, 3 winners from 9 rides, 33.3%; R Rowe, 11 from 39, 28.2%; M Kinane, 4 from 16, 25.0%; H Davies, 4 from 20, 20.0%; R Rowell, 9 from 50, 18.0%; S Sherwood, 4 from 28, 13.8%.

16 1FFO PRVERSIDE DRIVE 56 (CD,F) D Grissell 9-10-9

BETTING: 11-4 Mester Pat, 4-1 Lefosse, 11-2 Fast Escape, a Xoresa, 8-1 Com Merchant, 12-1 Bolt Hole, 14-1 others.

FOLKESTONE

Selections By Mandarin

5.0 Docklands Express. 5.30 Spring Flight. 6.0 Random Traveller. 6.30 Casheanon. 7.0 Fast Escape. 7.30 Kyoto. 8.0 Riverside Drive.

5.0 MAPES NOVICES HURDLE (£685: 2m 6f) (11 2 8142 DOCKLANOS EXPRESS 17 (RF,5) K Balley 6-11-6

7 ACRYSE 423 J Long 7-11-0 R Rousel
9 0-00 CANT DISCLOSE 10 (V) S Dow 7-11-0. Richard Quest
10 000 EASI, SORAM 71 G Hubbard 5-11-0 R Sapple (4)
4 P-02 MASTER BARN 12 R Frost 8-11-0 R Sapple (4)
17 F PETERFONA 22 Mrs B Dukes 7-11-0 M T Geuntham
19 390 PRIORS COPPICE 49 N Henderson 8-11-0 M Bewilby
21 JAP 714E LORDS TAMERNERI 48 J Gifford 8-11-0 R Rouse
22 2233 TS FRAMK AGAIN 49 (8,8F) D Nurray-Smith 8-11-8
R Duwscoty

BETTING: 5-4 Tis Frank Agein, 3-1 Master Bern, 4-1 Docklands Express, 6-1 Priors Coppies, 10-1 others. 5.30 EAST ROAD NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE

(£945: 2m 100yd) (20) 16 22F USELESS MEMBER 22 (0,3) A MODRO 6-10-7 Ceach Moore (4)
19 -904 BRACKET 141 P Hayward 5-10-5 P Bowman (7)
20 20F0 ARABIAN BLUES 10 8 Stevens 5-10-5 BWRitama
23 3404 AO SOUTH 10 89 J Landris 4-10-3 Sherward
23 0220 COMMON ACCORD 42 (8) S Woodman 5-10-2

R Day 25 SP00 GENTLENAN ANGLER 22 (D.F) J Gifford 5-10-1

BETTHRE: 5-1 Go South, 11-2 Spring Fight, 6-1 Sherwood Forest, Le Moulin, 7-1 Guessing, 8-1 Amid, 10-1 others. 6.0 PEGWELL BAY NOVICES CHASE (£1,088: 2m

1 34FO BAWNEEDGH 22 (D.F.G.S) D Murray-Smith 7-11-7 P Croucher 2 312P GOODBIAN PORT 14 (D.&F,G,S) J Giford 6-11-7

3 101F SIR WAGER 99 (G.S) Mrs L Clay 7-11-7.... M Richard FD10 THE LUCKPENRY MAN 22 (D.S) Mrs L Clay 9-11-7 R Durance S GOOG ALTO CUMULUS 10 (B) N Gassies 5-11-0 A Adassa (4)
10 FROS CRIMSON BMP 24 R Dean 9-11-0.
16 GPF HIGHLAND SON 32 A Turnell 7-11-0. I Lampance (7)
22 GOOD POTTSTOWN 5 (5) J Long 7-11-0. R Goldstein
23 GRIU PROBLEM CHED 5 (6,5) R Alsahurst 5-11-0
Dain McCanna
24 GP22 RANDOM TRAVELLER 5 (8,8F) Mrs J Pitrann 7-11-0.
W Pitrann

25 264/ REBERION 1584 J. Jankins 11-11-0 Shaward 17 2002 SHANBALLY BOY 60 (D.O.S.) D Marray Smith 7-11-0 NON-RUNNER 25 6000 SNOWBALL JUN 24 (F) P Howling 8-11-0 II Pernett 29 PPPD SOUTHERNS 10 (G) J Gifford 6-11-0 R Rowell 20 00F TRIED AND TRUE 24 (S) Miss L Bower 8-11-0 R Rowell 35 PPTD THANKS AIR 27 Mrs S Richardson 8-10-9 S Contey

BETTING: 2-1 Problem Child, 9-4 Goodman Point, 5-1 The Luckypanny: Man; 11-2 Random Traveller, 8-1 others.

Brighton results

Going: firm

2.15 (5) 1, INCN KING (B. Rouse, 10030; 2. Jary Gee (B. Whitworth, 8-1; 3.
Dobble (Rise Guest; 4-1), ALSO RAK: 2
fav Paper Boy (4th), 5 All Affatter (5th), 10
Lianguarren, 25-Me Specie (6th), Sula's
Luti, 8 rin. MR. Bird Bath. 4, 194, 6, nk,
254, R. Hennon at Maritorough, Totac
23-70: 21-50, 21-50, 21-70. DF: 22.70.
CSP. 228.32

2.45 (Im 40), 1, SAY YOU (W.R. Swinburn,
13-2; 2. Cetherine Schraft (M. Roberts,
20-1; 3. Winchbound Leas (S. Dawson, 114 say), ALSO RAN: 5 Miller's Tale (6th),
Loy Windrid, 13-2 Cornedy Sail (5th), 9
Marsoon (4th), 12 Priok, 16 Honey Purn,
20 Pause For Applause, 25 Castle
Helphis, 33 Fringe of Gold, Frame of
Power, 13 ran, 194, 14, 54, 71, 54, P.
Howling at Guiddont, Totac 27-50, 22-10,
21.90, 21.90. DF: 252-10. CSF: £114.91.
Titicast £402.34.
3.15 (Im 22) 1, DALGAM (S. Cauthen, 7-Going: firm

Tricast: £402.95.
3.15 (1m 2) 1. DALGAN (S Cauthen, 7-2); 2. Lebric († Williams, 25-1); 3, Mulla (M Hits, 13-8 fav). ALSO RAN: 13-8 sav Jadeer (shi), 14 Frist Forum (Shi), 1609 William (Shi), 140 Denry, 7 ran. 3; %; 11, 5; 81. H Caci. at Newmarkst. Tota: £5.10: £2.70, £4.70, £9.70, T CACH. AS NOWINGHOLD, 109E. 20.10.

22.70, EA.70, DF: 20.50, CSF: 258.57.

3.45 (30: 20: 1, BEWITCHANG WIND (D McKey, 10-1): 2. Martinemon (T Williams, 5-1): 3. Carpet Capers (A Clark, 5-1). ALSO RAN: 3 tax Regal Physhm (4th), 7-2 Sentamber Snap (5th), 10 Minobes, Ster Miler, 16 Beila Georgina (8th), 8 ran. NR: Echaust Lady, 22 rik, 2, 8, 104. Michar at Lambourn, 70te: 225.80; 23.90, 21.40, 22.40. DF: 297.00. CSF: 248.49. Tricast: £193.24. Goodnight Master (8-1) withdrawn, not under orders — rule 4 applies to 85 bets, deduction 10p in pound.

22.70. CSF: 29.73.

4.45 (8) 1, ENWIN BACH (Res Guest, 12-1): 2, Denative (G Bardwell, 5-1): 3, Paramires (B Rouse, 20-1): ALSO RAYE 7-2 fav Colton On Ouck, 6 May Pin, 13-2 Find Lot (4th), Fentasis Imprompts 5th), 9 Most interesting, 14 Chummy's Gr., 18 Better Buy Balleys, Massa (5th), 25 Chly In Gest, 33 Danies of Nelson, 13-ran, 4L sh. hd, NJ, 11. D. Morley at Newmarkst, Tote: 21630: 24,50, 22.70, 28.80, DF: 24739. CSF: 259.88. Tricast £1,113.82. Alter, Sankhards' Inquiry, result stood.

Wolverhampton

Going: good to firm

2:30 (5) 1, ELFOHABIT (J Reid, 9-1); 2. Becky Peepaight (M Wigham, 15-1); 3. Stociair Boy (S Peris, 25-1). ALSO RANK: 11-4 far Validemosa (4th), 7-2 Sheikh's Pet (5th), 5 Mummya Lad, 12 Crosby, 14 Helio Sweetle, Earthy Note, 20 Fordist, Parton Express (6th), Rosie May Dickins, Swinging Noe Joe, Zenore, 25 Doctor's Ramedy, Nickle Joe, Alto Volca, Raise Memories, 18 ran, %1, 2, %1, 2%1, %1. Barratt at Oswestry, Totac 210.50; 17.70, 213.90, 25-40. DF; 24.80 (winner or second with stry other horse). CSF: 2141.00.

DP: \$4.50. CSF. £57.03. Tricest £517.17.

4.0 £61, SAINT NAVARRO (A Mackey, 14-1); 2. Warding States (B Raymond, 5-2 favt, 3. Rotnesty Beller (T Christ, 6-1). ALSO RAN: 6 L'Addition, Sayyar's Laddith, 7-Fair Katrina (6th), 8 Bellevires Lady, 12 Battens, 16 Tami, 20 Bise Disc. £5 Biomytch Princets (5th), 33 Jermy's Pet, Wentledauth, Regal Tiger, Miss Diomytch, Fool To Cry, Miss Coystalf's, 17 ran, Nft. Lovely Jenniter, Hinari Hi H., The Cottage, bt. Ind. 134, Ind. 5, Int. 8 McMahon at Terresorth. Totas 224.50; £12.20, £1.80; £1.20. DF: £118.50. CSF. £50.77.

Going: firm

2.30 (2m 74yd ch) 1, High hop (S Shilaton, 3-1 fm); 2, Treinigur Bits (10-1); 3, Abbaybranney (12-1); 4, End Of The Road (12-1), 20 ran, 21, 11, S Christian, 70te: £4.50; £1.40, £3.30, £2.70, £2.70, DF: £9.80, CSF: £33.32, Tricaset £289.17. 3.8 (2m hdle) 1, Loose Ruck (J McLauphin, 10-1); 2, Gold Sceptre (2-1 favt; 3, Pingers Crossed (5-1), 20 rsn. 11, 17; J. J Pagers Crossed (5-1), 20 rsn. 12, 51.60. DF: 27.70. CSF: £38.08, Winner bought in for 3,400gns. 3.30 (3m 110yd cn) 1, Golden Casino (Mr S Andrews, 13-8; 2, Big Brown Beer (10-1); 3, Powder Horn (16-1), Nobbenolsker 6-4 lav. 10 ran. 24, 31 M Sarthorps, Totec 22.30; 21.30, 22.50, 22.70. DF: 29.10. CSF: £18.41.

4.30 (3m 110 yd cit) 1. Four Thit (P Tuck, S-1); 2. Flying Misbress; (20-1); 3. Even Deopter (16-1). Socret Walk 5-6 law, 8 ran, NF: Cumrew, Jack Of Cubs, Lagei Emperor, 12; 5t hd. G Richards. Tota: 54.00; 21.10, 23.20, 22.00. DF: £19.00. CSF: £48.96. Tricast: £749.04. 5.0 (2m 41 India) 1, Keymes (D Gallagher, 5-1); 2, Holly Buoy (6-1); 3, Cuintena (6-4 fav), 15 ran. NR: Great Gander, Polish Kright, Princely Heir. 31, 31. Junkins. Tolk: Bit 10; 22.80, 22.00, 21.80, DF; 220.20, CSF: 235.76. Tricast 250.73.

BATH Selections

By Mandarin

2.15 Laughing-Missie. 2.45 Welsh Guide. 3.15 Golden Wave. 4.15 Lovely Ears. 4.45 Sunny Heights. 5.15 Colombiere.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.15 Future Gamble. 2.45 Weish Guide. 3.45 RIO PIEDRAS (nap). 4.15 — 4.45 French Daddy. 5.15 Unexpected Guest.

By Michael Seely 3.15 Acajou. 4.45 Red Hackle.

Guide to our in-line racecard Receard number. Draw in brackets. Skrifigure distance winner. BF - besten favourite in form (F - tal. P - pulset up. U - unseated nider. B - brought down. S - sipped up. R - refused. B - brought down. S - sipped up. R - refused. B - soft, good to firm, hard. G - good. D - classesfield. Horse's name. Days tince tast outing: J if kings, F if fat. (B - binkers. S - soft, good to soft. heavy). Owner in outing: J if kings, F if fat. (B - binkers. S - soft, good to soft. heavy). Owner in outing: J if kings, F if fat. (B - binkers. F - soft good to soft. heavy). Owner in outing: J if kings, F if fat. (B - binkers. S - soft, good to soft. heavy). Owner in outing: J if kings, F if fat. (B - binkers. S - soft, good to soft. heavy). Owner in outing: J if kings, F if fat. (B - binkers. S - soft, good to soft. heavy). Owner in outing: J if kings, F if fat. (B - binkers. S - soft, good to soft. heavy). Owner in outing: J if kings, F if fat. (B - binkers. S - soft, good to soft. heavy). Owner in outing: J if kings, F if fat. (B - binkers. S - soft, good to soft. heavy). Owner in outing: J if kings, F if fat. (B - binkers. S - soft, good to soft. heavy). Owner in outing: J if kings, F if fat. (B - binkers. S - soft, good to soft. heavy). Owner in outing: J if kings, F if fat. (B - binkers. S - soft, good to soft. heavy). Owner in outing: J if kings, F if fat. (B - binkers. S - soft, good to soft. heavy). Owner in outing: J if kings, F if fat. (B - binkers. S - soft, good to soft. heavy). Owner in outing: J if kings, F if fat. (B - binkers. S - soft, good to soft. heavy). Owner in outing: J if kings, F if fat. (B - binkers. S - soft, good to soft. heavy). Owner in outing: J if kings, F if fat. (B - binkers. S - soft, good to soft. heavy). Owner in outing: J if kings, F if fat. (B - binkers. S - soft, good to soft. heavy). Owner in outing: J if kings, F if fat. (B - binkers. S - soft, good to soft. heavy).

Draw: low numbers best up to 1m Going: good to firm 2.15 SPA SELLING STAKES (3-Y-O: £927: 1m abt 8yd) (16 runners) .. G Bardwell (5) .. P Stanford (7) K Huet (5) . P Cook 92 BETTING: 4-1 Chief Hotfoot, 9-2 Espit De Fau, 11-2 Space Lib, 8-1 Laughing-Missia, Whisting Tiger, 10-1 Mayleir Moss, 12-1 Future Gemble, Piney Point, 14-1 others.

1987: ROYAL RABBLE 8-9 C Asmusson (13-2) D Eleworth 17 ran FORM LAUGHING-MISSE (8-6) best performance was 11 besting of Mini Myra (8-6) at Warwick (6f, 2820, good to soft, June 6, 11 ram).

FUTURE CAMBLE (8-10) 111 6th to Green Beize (8-10) at Nottingham (1m 2f, 21,234, heavy, April 19, 15 ran).

Chepstow (sr. 2501, good to firm, July 7, 9 ran).

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SPACE LAB (8-11) best effort a 61 4th to Valued Connection (6-6) at Wolverhampton (7f, £690, good, Aug 16, 17 ran).

PUTURE CAMBLE (8-10) 111 6th to Green Beize (8-10) at Nottingham (1m 2f, 224, heavy, April 19, 15 ran).

MAYFAIR MOSS (9-0) 3% 3rd to Annacando (8-9) at Selection: LAUGHBAG MISSIE

2.45 BLATHWAYT MAIDEN STAKES (Div t. 3-Y-O: £1,306: 1m 3f 150yd) (12 runners)

0000- ALKHARIF 197 (H Al-Mattourn) P Wahnyn 9-0.

ARCTIC BARON (C Raymond) Miss J Thome 9-0.

DWADME (F Salman) H Candy 9-0.

EASY TRIE (C Wates) P Cole 9-0.

000-0 IMPLIATTY 7 (C Jerdein) C Britain 9-0.

0- NOMADIC WAY 197 (R Sangster) B Pilis 9-0.

0-0 SIESTA KEY 11 (Greenland Park Ltd) I Balding 9-0.

SOLITARY REAPER (C Cyzar) S Norton 9-0.

STEADY STATE (Mrs G Fane) J Bathel 9-0.

THENTY PRIST (J Durslop) J Durslop 9-0. ... Pat Eddery 96 ..., M. Kills 21 T Wes
T Williams
S Horstell
P Cook W Carson ---..... B Raymond • 99 BETTING: 5-2 Siesta Key. 7-2 Weish Guide, 5-1 Nomadic Way, 7-1 Altharti, 8-1 Dwadne, 10-1 Easy Time, 12-1 Thirty First, 16-1 others. 1967: SPINSTER 8-11 8 Thomson (25-1) P Walwyn 19 ran

FORM ALKKARIS* (8-10) 101 7th to Boulevard | SESTA KEY (9-0) 91 8th to Kelekaste (8-0) (8-0) 4th 4yr (1m, 25,143, soft, Oct | Newbury (1m 3f, 23,730, good, April 15, 21 ram). MAPUNITY (9-0) out of first 9 behind Clifton Chapel (9-0) at Nottingham (1m 2f, £359, heavy, April 19, 13 NONADIC WAY (9-0) 9th of 16 behind Kneller (9-0) at Warwick (1m, £1,496, solt, Oct 12).

WELSH GUIDE (8-12) 11/1 2nd to Damelle (8-7) at Lingfield (71 140y, 12,704, good to soft, Nov 2, 7 ran).

3.15 SOMERSET EBF STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,928: 1m 2f 50yd) (5 runners)

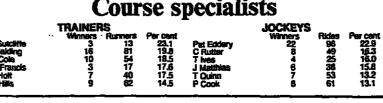
1 (1) 410112- ACAJOU 227 (F.G.S) (Mrs J Yarnold) C Nelson B-13... 3 (2) 122-0 GOLDEN WAVE 10 (BF.S) (Sir M Sobell) W Hern B-13... 4 (3) 08-3016 MALIMINSTER 44 (D.G) (C Cyzer) S Norten 8-73... 8 (4) 3-3 BABE. 18 (H.A.Makbum) P Walwyn B-8.... 10 (5) 3220- DEAD NET 209 (L Levin) C Brittain 8-8... J Reid • 99
... W Carson • 67
... T Williams • 74
... Pat Eddery • 69
... S Cauthen • 88 BETTING: 6-4 Acajou, 5-2 Golden Wave, 4-1 Babil, 11-2 Dead Net, 14-1 Malmunater. 1987: COLCHES 8-8 C Asmussen (7-2) B Hills 7 ran

FORM ACAJOU (9-0) 51 2nd to 2,000 Guineas hopeful Caerwent (9-0) at The Curragh (71, 1/2104,950, soft, Sept 12, 6 ran).

GOLDEN WAVE (8-11) best performance was when 2½1 2nd to Sanguinco (9-0) at Sandown on perutifirmate start (71, 217,510, firm, Aug 21, 4 ran).

DEAD NET (8-10) best effort ½1 2nd to Culet Week-End at Newmarkat on perutifirmate start (71, 214,409, MALINENSTER (8-10) best effort à 21 beating of Explosive Spirit (8-8) at Cagnes-Sur-Mer on

Course specialists



THIRSK

Selections

By Mandarin

2.00 Done Better. 2.30 Big Aitch. 3.00 Runaway. 3.30 Jamaica George. 4.00 Golden Fancy. 4.30 MARTIAL LAW (nap). 5.00 Golden Beau.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 200 ---2.30 Navaresque. 3.30 Far Over Struy. 4.00 — 4.30 My Objective. 5.00 Ciren Jester.

Michael Seely's selection: 4.00 PATHERO (nap). The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 4.00 PATHERO.

Draw: 51-6f high numbers best Going: firm 2.0 WHITWELL STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,718: 5f) (8 runners)

1987: CLASSIC RULER 9-1 J Reid (5-6 tav) C Nelson 5 ran

2.30 NESS SELLING STAKES (3-Y-O: £1,418: 1m) (18 runners)

3.0 HUTTONS AMBO HANDICAP STAKES (£2,942: 6f) (13 runners)

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1 (2) 903000- CROFTER'S CLIRE 236 (D.F.G) (D Barestord) J Wilson 4-9-10 ... Jalie Bourter (7) 91

2 (12) 903000- PHILIP 202 (C.D.F.G.S) (D Marier) N Tinider 8-9-10 ... Kim Tinider 97

4 (1) 900000- CHAPLIRS CLIRE 171 (B.D.F.G.S) (P Savid) D Chapman 8-9-6 ... W Ryan 3

8 (8) 800001- SULLY'S CHOICE 173 (CD.F.G.S) (W Chapman) D Chapman 7-9-1 ... S Webster 92

9 (4) 430040- GLOW AGAIN 185 (D.F.S) (Mrs G Liversidge) J Etherington 4-9-1 ... K Darley 92

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Mayobridge, finished tailed off to Prideaux Boy at Liverpool, last to the bewilderment of her trainer Freddie Mullius but 12 days later, over the same course, achieved an easy win in the Star Newspaper Handle.

Bobsline, who finished third to Prideaux Boy at Liverpool, carries top weight in the IR£12,000 Motor Imports Handles privately stone to Kalamalks, who is chasing a treble.

Tony Bin returns in style

Tony Bin, second to Trempolino in last season's Trusthouse Forte Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, made a successful seasonal debut in the Premio dell Esercito at the Capamelle, Rome, yesterday. He was ridden by Pat Eddery.

The Jean Lesbordes-trained for the following month.

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The Jean Lesbordes-trained Bint Alnasr, fourth to Indian Skimmer in the Prix de Diane

Hermes last season, looks the pick of some good fillies in the £18,462 Prix Corrida (10%f) * Saint-Cloud today.

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4.9 (2m hdie) 1, Anam Lily (6 McCourt, 10-11 lay); 2, Endless Gossip (4-1); 3, Lovers Dust (25-1), 15 ran. 101, 65, R Thinker, Tota: 22.90; 21-40, 21, 60, 210,80, DF; 23.40, CSP; 25.45, NR; Star City.

Sheikh Mohammed will have his colours carried for the first time over jumps in Irehand by Decided in the IR£20,000 BMW Champion Novice Hurdle at the Prachestown Festival, starting this afternoon (Our Irish Racing Correspondent writes).

Decided, trained by Oliver Sherwood and ridden by Simon Sherwood, has been placed in both his starts this year, finish-

As he is still a maiden he gets substantial weight allowances from the bulk of the Irish opposition which includes Bishopstone, who sprang a 20-1 surprise in the valuable Huzzar Hurdle at Fairyhouse on Easter Monday.

phatic 10-length winner from just three opponents.

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Aller State of the
Poor bowling costs Worcestershire an innings victory

By Alan Lee, Cricket Correspondent

cashire (1) by 10 wickets There were two 70-minute escape. periods vesterday when it massacre. Lancashire, sup-

ported by some wasteful spin-bowling, added 81 for the fifth evitably, want to play to the wicket and 89 for the tenth as strength of their spinners but they battled to avoid an this was a case of over-egging innings defeat. Between times, however, they lost five wickets for five runs as rapidly as one could raise a white flag. Worcestershire were obliged to bat again, though only to

make 29, and it was over five minutes before tea. For Lancashire, it was a wretched start to dismay those of us who regard them as the likeliest county champions. They played poorly, in the main, but can claim extenuating circumstances both in the behaviour of the pitch and the peerless batting of Graeme Hick, whose 212 was worth about 500 in relation to the painful struggles of almost

Hick was influential to the end, his embryonic off-spin claiming three wickets in the mid-morning collapse. Statistically, much the better bowler of the game was Richard Illingworth, who took 10 wickets in a championship match for the first time in his sevenyear career. They cost him 153 runs, however, and yesterday he revealed the limitations of a man whose career average is a modest 37. He strayed in

settle for a draw.

OLD TRAFFORD: Worces- the resistance illogically and ball to mid-off. Simmons and tershire (23pts) beat Lan- even promote Lancastrian dreams of an improbable inclined to surrender to their

While it was good to see looked for all the world as if such a lot of slow bowling so the teams had conspired to early in the season (221 overs make a match out of a in the match) this was not a good pitch for a four-day

this was a case of over-egging the pudding. The ball turned sharply on the first day; by yesterday it was bouncing as well and survival was due as much to the inadequacies of the bowling as to the character of the batsmen.

Watkinson, a typically Eng-lish late developer who is beginning to look a quality player at 26, dominated the first hour. He took risks, as was essential, and he was presented with cheap runs by some rank bad bowling, but it was a forthright, attractive, piece of batting in unrewarding circumstances.

A miss at mid-wicket by Newport off Hick reprieved Watkinson on 61 and presaged the dramatic slump. Hughes went first, caught off bat and pad at silly point as Illingworth found the optimum length and line. This was the first of three catches in four overs for Curtis, and, when he held a sweep off the glove to end Watkinson's twohour stay, the end seemed

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-40, 2-53, 3-128, 4-161, 5-242, 6-244, 7-244, 8-247, 9-247. BOWLING: Dilloy 11.5-1-31-1; Radiord 8-2-12-0; Biogworth 59-14-107-5; Hick 44-10-138-4; Newport 6-0-38-0. Allott was bemused by the deviations, Matthews chose a



Cowdrey clout: Graham sends another one away during his 145 for Kent yesterday (Photograph; Tommy Hindley)

Poor Butcher does not have

the easiest of times: his cheek-

bone was broken when batting

five years ago, prompting him to

take up a heimet. Yesterday, he was fortunate to require only

stitches but he will miss his county's next match on Thurs-

day. While he was absent, Fraser

and Hughes finished off the innings, the resistence neg-ligible.

MIDDLESEX: First Innings 199 (A O Butcher 73, J E Emburey 61; K E Cooper 5

Carrivo, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Imings 308 (M. Newell 80, B. C. Broad 68, F. D. Stephenson 63; A. R. C. Fraser 6 for 75).

P Johnson b Fraser 60
J D Birch b Cowarts 44
F D Stephenson c Downton b Cowarts 24
f B N French c Downton b Fraser 0
E Hemmings run out 23
R A Pick b Hughes 19
K Saxeby c Brown b Hughes 0
K Cooper not out 0
Extras (b 5, w 2, nb 1) 8

Second Innings
B C Broad libe b Cowers
R T Robinson libe b Fraser
M Newell c Emburey b Fraser

Experiment proves Lesson handed to Robinson

Definite results were achieved needed to win with few alarms. in six of the seven matches Parker, who made 171 runs in the match without being diswhich made up the first experimental programme of four-day Britannic Assurance champmissed, was understandably delighted at getting away to such ionship games, only Derbyshire a good start after the doom and gloom of 1987, which was also a wretched one for him

With time on their side, and the covered pitches generally flat and lifeless, batsmen He said: "The dressing-room spirit could not be better and with the young and enthusiastic side we have I believe we can thrived. The matches produced three double centuries (Hick, Gooch and Gatting) and 14 surprise a few people this sea-son." Unhappily, their leading strike bowler, Pigott, who has little luck with injuries, will be other three-figure scores. No doubt batsmen will already be hailing the experiment as a success. Bowlers may think differently. Thirteen members hire, even without than 100 runs in an innings, Penn, of Kent taking the in-

batsman's delight

the services of Agnew, who had a strained shoulder, were within dividual footsore award for his three for 160 against Essex. touching distance of victory for much of the day at Derby where, after Wright had gone for 84, Derbyshire lost wickets steadily Sussex equalled their number of championship wins last season when they beat Somerset by to Defreitas and Willey so that at tea, at 257 for six, they were only 99 ahead. However, Finney seven wickets at Hove, their first win on the ground since August 1986. Paul Parker, the new proved the man for a crisis and with support from Warner and captain, made 71 not out as

Sussex scored the 212 they YESTERDAY'S OTHER SCOREBOARDS. Drawn stumps

Sussex v Somerset

HOVE: Sussex (23pts) beat Somerset (4) by seven wickets SOMERSET: First Innings 142 (A C S Pigott 4 for 55). Second Innings 333 (N D Burns 133 not out, A M Babington 4 for 66).
SUSSEX: First innings 266 (P G W Parker 101 not out; D J Foster 4 for 67).

Second innings R M Alikhan Ibw b Marks A M Green h Marke

Extras (b 3, 2b 7, nb 8) . Total (3 wkts, 58,4 overs) ... N J Lenham, †1 J Gould, M N Pringle, A R Clarke, A C S Pigott and A M Sabington did not bet.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-40, 2-74, 3-122, BOWLING: Mallender 17-3-46-1; Jones 15-2-35-0; Paimer 10-2-28-0; Foster 8-1-35-0; Marks 17-6-49-2; N J Pringle 1-0-6-0; Roebuck 0.4-0-4-0. Derbys v Leics

DERBY: Derbyshire (4pts) drew with Leicestershire (7) Roberts c Potter b Taylor E Morris st Whitticase b Willey ... K J Barnett c Gower b Willey

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S C Goldsmith c Lewis b DeFreitas

†B J M Maher Ibw b Lewis

R J Firmey not out

A E Warner c and b DeFreitas

Total (8 wids) ... D E Malcolm did not bat. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-121, 2-134, 3-143, 4-189, 5-193, 6-257, 7-266, 8-279.

Extras (b 2, lb 7) ...

LEICESTER: First innings 482 for 8 dec (J J Whittaker 145, L Potter 107, N E Briers Umores: H D Bird and J H Hamoshire.

LORD'S: Middlesex (19pts) beat Nottinghamshire (7) by 241 runs Having played much the better cricket over the first two days, Nottinghamshire batted yes-terday as they bowled on Sat-urday: unlike county champions. Asked to make 397, they were dismissed well before tea, unable to cope with bounce and pace.

the innings to pass 50.

Second Imnings

What was of greater concern was that they appeared resigned to defeat. It serves little purpose to harp on about Hadlee and Rice and how they might have changed the game, yet one point is worth making. Neither would have spent much of Saturday with hands in pockets in the field as Robinson did, contravening the immutable Motivation, Rice's great

strength, was not in evidence. To be fair to Robinson, the pitch yesterday was not as easypaced as on Saturday. Robinson will vouch for that, since he was hit on a glove by Cowans, retired, and was out first ball upon resumption. By then, Johnson, the only batsman to show any sort of form, had gone and the end was nigh.

for Russell

Gloucestershire will be without their wicketkeeper, Jack Russell, for the Benson and Hedges Cup match against Combined Universities at Bristol today. He is scheduled to have five teeth removed in hospital and does not expect to play for a week.

Andy Brassington, who has not kept wicket for the senior side for three years, is in a party of 13, but Mark Alleyne may be preferred. David Lawrence, who has a slight strain, is rested. Steve Waugh, the Australian all-rounder, makes his first one-day appearance for Somerset in place of the New Zealand batsman, Martin Crowe, who has flu. Crowe was taken ill during the championship match against Sussex and may be out for a

The wickets were shared by the faster bowlers, but once again it was Fraser who had the lion's share, four yesterday and 10 in the match, the best return of his career. He bowls within himself, gives little away, and inadvertently benefited from Daniel's injury.

At the other end, Cowans maintained a full length, beating Broad with one that cut back and yorking Birch. Newell, whose application was so marked in the first innings, hung his bat out and was taken in the slips. Johnson made his third half-century in four innings here and was particularly severe on Emburey before Fraser yorked him in a telling spell after lunch.

Stephenson's innings was again much like the curate's egg. He forgot that in April the cut is supposed to be deployed with care. Yet, when Hughes tempted him with one too wide and short, he launched himself at it and smacked Butcher, standing at gulley, above the nose. So much blood was spilled that sawdust was sent for and Butcher was dispatched to

BOWLING: Cowens 16-4-38-3; Fraser 16-5-42-4; Hughes 10-3-25-2; Emburey 7-0-40-0; Gatting 1-0-5-0. Umpires: D J Constant and A A Jones. LEAGUE RESULTS

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY LEAGUE: Morpeth 144 for 8, Benwell 117 for 7; Tynedale 188 for 9, Benwell Hill 121 for 2; Tynemouth 180 for 6, Almwick 86 for 9; Blyth 148 for 6, Backworth 76; County Cub 134 for 8, Sust Northumberland 135 for 4; Ashington 170 for 9, Percy Main 173 for 6.

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DURHAM SENIOR LEAGUE: Boldon 180
for 5, Chester-le-Street 181 for 3;
Wearmouth 201 for 7, North Durham 118
for 5; Durham City 202 for 3, Sunderland
120 for 4; Whitburn 181 for 4, Eppleton
134 for 8; Seatham Harbour 87, Cetesheed
Fell 33 for 0; Philadelphia 103, Burmnoor
95 for 9; South Sheelds 200 for 2 dec.,
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BRADFORD LEAGUE: First division: Bradford and Bingley 188 for 9. Ide 134 for 8; Bowling Old Lame 188 for 8. Hanging Heaton 185 for 8; Farsley 207 for 6. Manningham Mills 116 for 9; East Bierley 116, Pudsey St Lawrence 117 for 5; Spen Victora 145, Seltaire 146 for 1; Balldon 130, Undercitte 133 for 4; Lighchfle 123, Yorkshire Bank 127 for 1. Second division: Harisheed Moor 194 for 8. Baniford 195 for 1; Brighouse 123 for 9; Cleckheaton 125 for 0; Lidget Green 108, Drightington 111 for 4; Queensbury 115, Keighley 116 for 4; Salts 44, Great Horton 46 for 0; Ecclashill 236 for 6, Windhill 137 for 7; Pudsey Congs 155 for 5, Yeadon 145 for 8.

MATTHEW BROWN LANCASHIRE LEAGUE: Accrington 157 for 7, Rawtenstall 130; Bacup 196 for 6, Todmorden 192; Burnley 91, Coline 126; Church 130 for 8, Enfield 131 for 9; East Lancashire 203 for 7, Ramsbottom 138; Haslingden 146, Rishton 57; Nelson 163 for 6, Lowerhouse 179.

CENTRAL LANCASHIRE LEAGUE: Wels-den 89, Middleton 169 for 5; Werneth 134 for 8, Olinam 273 for 5; Hyde 190 for 7, Radcittle 165; Norden 101 for 6, Ashton 100; Ryton 82 for 7, Littleborough 79; Heywood 115 for 8, Stockport 112 for 8; Milmrow 170 for 4, Crompton 65.

Start delayed

Peter Moores, the Sussex reserve wicketkeeper, who broke his right arm while playing in South Africa, still has the injury in plaster and is not expected to be available for about three

nicely paced by Athey By John Woodcock BRISTOL: Gloucestershire

(21pis) beat Glamorgan (5) by Although it led to their losing, Glamorgan's declaration at Bristol yesterday was a perfectly good one. It left Gloucestershire

to make 328 at just over four an over, a task which they achieved with 17 balls to spare. Athey followed his first innings century by making 88 not

out. In his last championship innings of last season, also against Glamorgan, he scored 101 not out. Glamorgan, for their part, did their chances no good by dropping two catches, at slip and gully, which would have given them a second early wicket. Wright and Alleyne, who made 87 and 56 respectively, were both put down.
After that the traffic was mostly It is a nice point which was

the midder — the pitch or the Glamorgan bowling. No one spun the ball and there no one to make the batsmen hurry. Add to that the fact that the sun shone for most of the day, albeit through a cold wind, and you have the predictable run chase, taking place on the fourth day rather than the third, as would have been the case until now. In time one of the benefits of four-day cricket should be, any-way on pitches as bland as this,

way on pitches as bland as this, that the need for variety in attack is recognized. On this occasion, Glamorgan whose past successes have always been built upon spin, preferred the medium pace of Van Zyl to the greater versatility of Shastri. I doubt whether they would again, in similar conditions.

again, in similar conditions.

It was no coincidence yesterday afternoon that the partnership of 120 between Wright and Alleyne for Gloucestershire's second wicket was broken when Butcher came on and bowled something "different" below the part the partnership with the partnership w on and bowied something "dif-ferent" — left arm over the wicket rather than plain right arm. Alleyne had once played on, through having a change of angle to think about. Yet Butcher was given only two overs. Of the 431 overs bowled in the match only six were below medium pace.

At tea, with eight wickets standing and a minimum of 39 overs left, Gloucestershire needed 188. Except that he is the wrong colour, Alleyne could have been mistaken for Stovold, their batting style being similar. Stovold had, in fact, been out early, throwing the bat at early, throwing the bat at Thomas, who has sacrificed pace for control since he played for England. Solid to start with, Wright was branching out when he was run out going for a third run. Thomas throwing down the bowler's wicket from the mid-

wicket boundary. When it comes to chancing his arm, the Yorkshireman usually surfaces in Athey. But first Wright and then Lloyds did quite their full share. From the last 20 overs Gloucestershire were looking for 113 with seven wickets left; from the last 10 they needed 54, though by then Lloyd was out, having played an invaluable part. With five overs left, and Curran dashing around and Athey now at his best, it was

as good as over.

GLAMORGAN: First Innings: 372 for 9 dec GHolmes 117; T M Alderman 4 for 70). Second Innings A Butcher bar b Alderman 4 J A Hopkins at Russall b Alleyne 27 'H Morris b Alleyne 84 M P Maynard fow b Alleyne 85 G C Holmes c Lloyds b Curran 36 R C Contong b Alleyne 9 J Bernok run out 9 J G Thomas not out 35 Thomas not out _____ I P G Van Zyi c Russell b Lawre P Metson not out ____ Extras (b 5, ib 9, w 1, nb 9) ____

Total (8 wits dec) _______ 296 S R Banwick did not bat. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-5, 2-83, 3-192, 4-195, 5-217, 6-241, 7-269, 8-283.

195, 5-217, 6-241, 7-269, 8-263.
BOWLING: Lawrence 27-6-76-1, Alderman 23-7-56-1, Curran 14-1-45-1, Graveney 7-2-16-0, Alleyne 18-7-48-4, Lloyds 14-3-41-0.
GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First linnings 341 for 7 dec (C W J Afrey 123, J M Lloyds 68, P Bainbridge 52, A W Stovold 52).
Second innings 4 W Stovold 52, Second Innings 10 A J Wright run out 87

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C W J Athey not out
J W Lloyds lbw b Holmes
K M Curran not out Extras (ib 4, nb 10)

Total (4 wkts, 75.1 overs) ______ 329
P Bainbridge, †R C Russell, *D Graveney.
T M Alderman and D V Lawrence did not FALL OF WICKETS: 1-14, 2-134, 3-169, 4-

Run chase Pakistan are in no mood to yield their advantage

Nothing typifies more the Pakistani determination to win the third Cable and Wireless Test match against West Indies, and with it the series, than the attitude of Salcem Yousuf, their injured wicketkeeper. Yousuf will definitely bat when the match resumes today in spite of medical advice that he should not risk further damage to his nose, which was fractured in two places when he played a short ball from Marshall into his face last Friday.

Yousuf, in fact, would have batted on Sunday evening if Pakistan had lost another wicket during the dramatic last 25 minutes, when West Indies captured three wickets during torrid spells of bowling by Marshall and Benjamin Paki-stan finished with an overall lead of 180 with four wickets in hand and Imran Khan, their captain, is confident they can prevent West Indies levelling the series.

"I shall be satisfied if we can leave them 250 to make in the fourth innings." he said. "Ide-ally it would be good to bat through two more sessions. But another 80 runs could be enough for us. The ball is starting to keep low and cracks are appear-ing in the pitch which could help Abdul Qadir. The match is far

Viv Richards, the West Indies captain, agreed that the game looked wide open. "We need to finish off their innings as quickly as possible and the first hour will decide everything," he

Not surprisingly, neither cap-tain was keen to discuss the verbal exchanges between Salim Malik and Richards. Players tend to close ranks after such incidents: swearing is an old tactic to unsettle young players while Salim's behaviour in waiking down the pitch wasted

Imran did not think the incident had affected Aamer

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From Richard Streeton Bridgetown, Barbados

concentration. Many Pakistanis resent bad language but Imran-said: "Most of us are hardened Test players and are used to bad language. My instructions to the team have been not to get involved with any sledging. The Pakistan captain said the

pitch was slower than it had been earlier in the game and he felt his side had lost wickets in the eventful last stages because they fell between two stools. "I am afraid the pressure got to us and everyone was thinking about surviving until after the rest day." he said.

Imran might have a point in thinking West Indies could struggle during the last two days unless they wrap up Pakistan's innings quickly. Richards apart, then here a universibility. there has been a vulnerability about the West Indies batting, which is encouraging for England's prospects against them this summer. Greenidge and Haynes have yet to pass 50 in five attempts and Richardson, Logie and Hooper have, so far, only done so once. only done so once.

Logie, however, has con-firmed the claim he first estab-lished in New Zealand a year ago as the best forward short leg in the world. His catches to dismiss Ramiz Raja and Aamer on Sunday were breathtaking and he adds a further dimension to the West Indian pace battery.
They are inexperienced apart
from Marshall, but are progressing rapidly.

Second limings Mudassar Nazar & Greenidge

b Hooper
Ramiz Raja c Logie b Marshall 4
Shoelb Mohammad c and b Richards 64
Javed Miandad c Dujon b Marshall 34 Imran Khan not out

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-8, 2-100, 3-153, 4-165, 5-167, 8-169.

Nottinghamshire and Minor Counties, who have won four games in the competition over the years. With former county players of the class of Knight, Roope and Turner in their

ranks, Minor Counties will ex-pect to give a good account of themselves at Trent Bridge.

Clive Rice, who retired from

championship cricket after lead-ing Nottinghamshire to the title

last season, makes a quick

reappearance as captain of Scot-land who play Derbyshire in Glasgow. Pauline, formerly of

Surrey and Glamorgan has more than an apt christian name,

Duncan, to make him eligible

Carrick blow for Yorkshire in cup

Yorkshire and Northampton-

shire, participants in last year's exciting final at Lord's, meet again today at Headingley as the Benson and Hedges Cup com-petition enters its eighteenth Yorkshire, who won the tro-

phy by virtue of losing fewer wickets when the scores finished level, are the last of the firstclass counties to enter the lists this season and must do so without Carrick, their captain who milled a rib muscle while seeking match practice in the Bradford League. Bairstow will lead the side in which Robinson deputizes for Sharp, another injured player.

Northamptonshire will be without Capel and Wild, both recovering from minor knee operations, but will field Davis, he West Indies fast bowler who is not required for this season's tour of England.

Qualification will not be easy from this group, which also

20NAL GROUPINGS: Group A: Darby-shine, Lencashire, Leicashershire, Scot-land Warwicks. Group B: Minor Counses, Northamptonshire, Nottinghamshire, Group D: Combined Universities, Garoup C: Essex, Kent, Middlessex, Surrey, Sussex, Group D: Combined Universities, Clamorgan, Gloucestershire, Hampshire, Somerset, Quarter-finale: May 25. Semi-finale: June 8. Pinal (Lord's): July 9.

born in Aberdeen.

Durham's domination

By Yuri Matischen

Five players from Durham, four from Cambridge, two from Loughborough and one apiece from Exeter and Oxford have been selected for the Combined Universities opening match against Gloucestershire in the Benson and Hedges Cup at Bristol today.

The students, captained by Atherton, of Cambridge, may include Boiling and Harding, Durham's promising off-spinners, in the side as both bowled well in the final trial at Fenner's on Sunday Atherton the students. on Sunday. Atherton showed his array of strokes by scoring 51 in 80 balls at No. 3, while Bail, the Cambridge opening batsman, made 26 before being caught off Hickson, of Loughborough.

Atherton's XI reached 198 for nine in 55 overs on a slow pitch. Smith, of Exeter, and Boiling were the tightest bowlers as Smith, a lively left-arm seamer,

returned two for 33 off 14 overs.
The opposition, captained by
Hussein, of Durham, found
batting difficult – largely against
Fenton, the Cambridge seamer, His spell of nine overs removed James (Swansea), Hodgson (Loughborough) and Hussein,

Meanwhile Barry (Lough-borough), though somewhat in-consistent, removed Hagan (Oxford) and Chauhan (Kent), but Hussein's XI recovered from 17 for four to 152 for nine. thanks to a fifth-wicket partner-ship between Atkinson (Cam-bridge, 35) and Tolley (Lough-borough, 34). They were aided by a resourceful 38 from Turpin-Fenton was easily the best bowler, conceding 14 runs, while Harding cost 22 while Harding cost 22

TEAM (from): M Atherton (capt, P Bail, No Festion, J Attinson (all Cambridge): M Killion (Oxford), T Barry, M Hickson (both Loughborough). N Hassein, T O'Gormer, J Bolling, G Harding, M Speight (wicket-keeper, all Durham), M Szaith (Exeter).

GYMNASTICS

Kennedy head of Seoul list By Peter Aykroyd

Karen Kennedy, of Camberley, heads the rankings of women after the second Kraft trial last weekend at Lillieshall for the two places in the Seoul Olympic

In a repeat of the first trial in March, Karen Hargate, of Huddersfield, came second and Lisa Grayson, of Redcar, third The two men and women for Seoul will be announced after the international against Czechoslovakia in Trnava in May Andrew Morris, Ian Shelly and Terry Bartlett are vying for the men's places.

Also at Lillieshall, David Cox,of Britain, was the best individual performer in a junior international between Britain, West Germany and Switzerland. The West Germans won the tournament, but the British gymnasts beat the Swiss for the first time.

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RESULTS: Olympic triat: Women: 1. K. Kennedy (Camborley), 75.55pts: 2. K. Hargate (Huddersfield), 74.55; 4. S. L. Grayson (Redear), 73.75; 4. S. L. Grayson (Redear), 73.75; 4. S. L. Grayson (Tellord), 73.65; 5. C. Bain (Beaconstield), 71.55; 6. J. Prescott (Trent, 22.55; Junior international: Mere Team: 1. West Germany, 264.55pts: 2. Great Bibbin, 78.55pts: 2. Great Bibbin, 1. D. Cox (GB), 54.85; 2. H Bibsin back (MG), 53.20; 3. W Timel (MG), 52.95.

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RUGBY LEAGUE Shelford faces suspension

from cup final By Keith Macklin Adrian Shelford, the Wigan and

New Zealand forward, is not the disciplinary committee meeting at Leeds on Thursday. Like Shelford, Mike Gregory, of Warrington, and Stuart Evans, of St Helens, have been sent to the sin-bin three times, and face

in the case of Shelford, a ban would rule him out of Sat-urday's Challenge Cup final at Wembley. The punishment for Gregory and Evans would be almost as unpleasant since it would put two key forwards out of the semi-finals of the premiership.



Former champions in return to top form From Barry Pickthall, Hyères, France

YACHTING

man, the former world cham- and Susan Hay added to their pions, made a welcome return to form at the French pre-Olympic Regatta here yesterday, finishing fourth in the Tornado class after an unsuccessful search for speed over the last two seasons.

The Brightlingsca pair made the most of the shifting 8-10 knot easterly breeze on a day when Britain's other Olympic aspirants experienced mixed The light winds were not best suited to the call from the race committee for two races, and the performance of Jeremy Robinson and Richard Parslow

highlighted British inconsistency. The top 470 crew in both heats on Sunday capped 28th in the morning race with a fifth in the afternoon and were followed across the line by Brian Taylor and Pascal Robin, seventh, with Mike Holmes and Ossie Stewart, wearing a neck cast, just Unfortunately, Nigel Buckley and Peter Newlands, testing a

new boat here after their win at

the 470 world championship

three weeks ago, continued to be out of form, adding a 38th and

27th yesterday to the lowly 43rd

they scored on Sunday.

Thankfully, Debbie Jarvis third position on Sunday with a second in the first of yesterday's heats to take second place in th women's 470 standings, fol-lowed by Cathy Foster and Jackie Patton in sixth.

news for the British in the Finn

single-hander class, with Law-rence Crispin scoring a well-earned third in the first heat followed up by Stuart Childerly Laurie Smith ended the day in tenth place amongst the Solings and Rodney Pattisson finished 11th among the Flying Dutchmen fleet.

RESULTS: Soling: 1, K Mahaney (US): 2, S Prchugin (USSP): 3, J Herrmann (EG). British: (U, Smith. Tormado, first beast: 1, L Loday (Fr): 2, J Le Derofi (Fr): 3, W van Bladel (Neth). British: 4, R White. Second heast: 1, P Melvin (US): 2, R Cattin (Swi): 3, B Oberer (Swi). British: 28, R White. Mear's 470; first heast: 1, P Leon (Sp): 2, H Edund (Fri): 3, P Nationp (Den). British: 28, J Robinson: 38, K Bucdey. Second heast: 1, P von Kosiuli (Fri): 2, M Reaser (US): 3, F Brenac (Fr). British: 5, J Robinson: 7, B Taylor: 8, M Holmas. Flying Dutchman: 1, C Celon (tit: 2, D Wiksten (Nor): 3, L Doreste (Sp). British: 11, R Patitisson. Selibeard: First beat: 1, R Nagy (Fr): 2, & Cadra (Fr): 3, E Bellini (Sp). British: 28, S Goody. second heast: 1, R Nagy (Fr): 2, K Bahmann (WG): 3, J Bellester (Sp). British: 21, W Barhann. Women's 470; First heast: 1, S Meyer (WG): 2, D Jervis (GB); M Sooderstroem (Sweden).



Winning through against all the odds

Five star performers: to celebrate raising £1 million in a year for the first time, the Lord's Taverners yesterday presented awards to five young disabled sportsmen and women at a lunch at the Hilton Hotel, London, With Tim Rice, the Taverners' president, are (from left) Helen Scott, a member of the British team which won two gold medals at the world dres championships for the disabled in Sweden last year, Monica Yanghan, an

amputee who is an international swimmer, Allan Yewdall, who is mentally handicapped and last year won a Queen's Scout award after completing a parascending flight, Simon Jackson, a title winner at the European judo championships for the visually handicapped last year, and Anne Ligg, a mentally handicapped athlete with numerous titles to her name in the shot and javelin. Each received £500, while £5,000 was do-

charities. Anthony Swainson, the director of the Taverners, said the recipients had earned their accolades as much for their dedication as their achievements". The Taverners also made a presentation to Dennis Amiss. the former Warwickshire and England batsman, whom they had chosen as their 1987 cricketer of the year.

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(Photograph: Peter Trievnor)

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The new system will apply only to centre court and No. 1 court tickets bought in advance through the public bal-lot, on-the-day sales to the public, and tickets sold to county associations, to asso-ciate members of the Lawn Tennis Association, and to-schools (via the British Schools LTA). PARLSTAN: Fast limites 319 (Parts In 54 5-23-2 Monantines 54, M Martin Second vering

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Wimbledon to give limited returns on rained-off days

A modified version of the was not only fair, but American rain-check system (tickets issued for future use if play is cancelled) is to be introduced at the Wimbledon "The committee feels that the chosen priority system fulfils both these criteria and satisfies public demand. Feedchampionships, from June 20 to July 3. But no new tickets will be issued, no money will back received over the years strongly suggested that the chance to come to Wimbledon' be refunded, and only the original purchaser of a ticket will be eligible to benefit from in another year was far more important than a refund." the new scheme.

The public will also benefit If bad weather prevents play from the installation of 752 during the entire day on the court for which tickets are more seats by courts 14 and 17 and from the construction of a valid, spectators may return their tickets and apply for priority in the allocation of new walkway linking Wimbledon's northern courts with the main concourse. Players, ballboys and ballgirls, and the tickets for the same court on the corresponding day next year. They would have to pay the relevant 1989 prices. media will also have better facilities, Last year, Wimbledon con-

ducted a survey, questioning those queueing to enter the grounds and those leaving. Such surveys can prove any-thing or nothing. This one suggested, among much else, that more than half those interviewed were not going to use the catering facilities, that there was slightly more in-terest in men's doubles than in women's singles, and that 46 per cent of those queueing had been in line for two to four

The prize-money and associated payments have been increased, overall, by 5.8 per

WIMBLEDON PRIZE-MONEY (Last year's figures in brackets) £57,200 (£53,730), Runners-up: £28,800 (£26,870). Losing semi-finalists: £14,200 (£13,430). Losing quarter-finalists: £7,260 (£6,820).

MDXED DOUBLES (per pair): Wi C29.700 (C27,900). Runners-up: C1

OTHER WINNERS: Women's place \$4,205 (23,950). Men's 35 and over invitation singles: £12,630 (£11,300). Men's 35 and over invitation doubles (per pair): £9,630 (£9,050). TOTAL: £2,612,126

Not a lot of people know

RUGBY UNION

domestic competition.

would not mind at all,

The try awarded to Hugo MacNeill during the game on Saturday was his tenth for his

country, which moves him to

third place in the list of Ireland's

all-time try-scorers, a remark-able record for a full back.

• The final of the under-21

county championship will be played at Twickenham next Saturday (noon kick-off) as a

Irish trophy is on horns of dilemma

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

There was a mild panic among the Irish Rugby Union hierarchy on Sunday, when no one could lay his hands on the This has not, of course, Millenium Trophy, presented to England after their defeat of Ireland at Lansdowne Road the the Calcutta Cup incident of the previous month, visions of players attempting to wear the new trophy may have flashed through a few minds.

ered to ensure that any system

MEN'S DOUBLES (per pair): Winners:

rather more delicate question of whether players from Ulster would happily play for a trophy commemorating Dublin's foundation, though such has been the unifying effect of rugby throughout the whole of Ireland, it would be nice to think they mand at all All was well however. The trophy, which takes the form of a Viking helmet mounted on a plate, and is sufficiently solid to discourage anyone from kicking it around, had been secured in his hotel safe by Dudley Wood, the Rogby Football Union sec-retary, before he took a flight back to England.

It remains in Dublin while the IRFU decides what is to be done with it. It seems a pity that it should have no future since the sponsors of the match, Digital Equipment, have gone to the trouble of marking the occasion with a mique trophy. Yet this is the nub of the problem, in that the home unions have always, resisted the presentation of tro-phies bearing the names of, sponsors for five nations championship matches.

The obvious answer - rather The obvious answer — rather than waiting for another 1,000 years — is for Ireland and England to play for the trophy annually, and were it to be called the Millenium Trophy with no other appendage, that might be acceptable. But, as Wood points out, "sponsors come and go. We have had many requests from sponsors over the years to be

HOCKEY

England name

squad for

trial weekend

Twenty-nine players have been invited to England under-29

squad training at Crystal Palace this weekend to select a team for

the European junior champ-ionship in Santander, Spain,

The England squad will play matches against a Scottish under-21 party on Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning.

London Indians will also

provide opposition for England on Sunday afternoon.

from July 11 to 17.

Saturday (mon kick-off) as a curtain-raiser to the John Player Cup final.

TEAMS: VORKSHIRE UNDER-21: J Liley (Wakafeld): M Appleson and S Iving (Headingley). J Bentley (Sale). A Underwood (Leicester Univ): G Janistins (Nothingham). A Totton (Sandal, capt): J Wells (Metropoltan Police). A Maume and M Warelman (Budford and Bingley). T Garnett (Hull and ER). J Moore (Braction and Bangley). S Shortland and M Pepper (Headingley). P Horton (Haltian). GLOUCESTER URDER-21: S James (Lydney); P Edwards (Cheltenham). I Mooren (Cinderford). J Bacon (Cheltenham). C Dee (Gloucester); R Temple (Gloucester OB). J Devis (Lydney); B Besten (Citton). D Kesmay (Cheltenham). D Hindus (College of St Paul S). A Kox (Lydney, cap), N Harris (Geny Hil), J Morris (Cheltenham), M Arthur (Newport). which the winners of this Sat-

Draw will satisfy Moseley

in terms of the American

dollar. This year's total will be

Prize-money for the five-

£2,612,126, compared with £2,470,020 in 1987.

£2,119,870. The men's singles champion will receive

£165,000 (compared with £155,000 last year) and the women's champion £148,500 (£139,500). First-round losers

in the singles will receive £2,215 and £1,715 respec-

tively. The qualifying com-petitions have been allocated

Play will start at 12.30 on

courts two to 17, for at least

the first eight days, and at 2

p.m. throughout the championships, on the centre court and No. I court. All the.

gates will be opened at 11 a.m.

Finally, giraffes. Readers may recall that last October,

while two unusually tall

women were on court at Brighton, the burning off-

court question (as reported

here) was whether or not giraffes ever lay down. The only South African on the

premises insisted that they

spent their entire lives stand-

The proof arrived yesterday

in the form of photographs taken in Nairobi National

Park by Michael Aronson and

his wife, who had spent several months trying to get near enough to film giraffes in the

"They lie down like any other animal," Aronson ex-plained. "However, they are

very nervous as they are

vulnerable to many predators when they are lying down. It is almost impossible to get a picture of them with their long necks folded back along their

ing up. She was wrong.

prone position.

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Moseley play their final Courage Clubs Championship match this evening hoping to ensure that they remain in the first division, has always been no.

This has not, of course, stopped individual unions accepting competitions such as the John Player Special Cup or the Schweppes Welsh Cup in even if it is at the expense of Waterloo. In Millenium Trophy's in-stance, though, there is the rather more delicate question of

A draw would be sufficient for them, even were Coventry to win their final game, against Orrell on Saturday, because their points differential is so much better. Defeat for Waterloo would leave them within Coventry's reach, but the Lancashire club's agreement yes-terday to play Bristol on Friday terday to play Bristol on Friday

the day before Bristol's appearance in the cup final—
means they will be playing Bristol's second XV.

Moseley retain eight of the players from the XV beaten 41-3 at Leicester last weekend and have Batter last weekend and

at Letesser has weeken and have Robson back at scrum half. Waterloo hope that Syddall, their captain, will have recov-ered from a back injury.

Hare, who was hoping to break his club record of 396 points in a season before he injured his foot, withdrew from Leicester's game with Moseley. In the last two games his deputy as place-kicker, Harris, scored 42 points which would have taken Hare past 400. Should Cork Constitution win their Munster Cup setnifinal replay with Shannon on Saturday, they may be forced to withdraw from, or send a weak-ened team to, the Middlesex Sevens on May 7. That is the date of the Munster final, in

urday's game play Garryowen.

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CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division (7.0):
Biscippol v Sheffield Wednesday; Derbyv Leicesser; Leets v Grimaby; Livespoolv Coventry; Manchester City v Huddersfield
(6.45).

SUNDAY MERROR COMBINIATION: Bristoi Rovers v Chelses; Charlion v Reading
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VALDCHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: Premier division: Barting v Wokingham (7.45):
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v Bartstead (7.45): Southell v Newbury;
Whytelsella v Fluckwell Heath (7.45).
NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Premier
division: Barrow v Ringt Marine v Frieldey;
Morecembe v Southport; South Livespool
v Horwich, First division Capt. Final,
second leg: Fleetwood v Doyleckin.

BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Westgate

Insurance Cup: Final, second leg (first leg score in brackets): Dertlord (1) v Bromsgrove (3). Premier division: Avecture v v9 Flughy; Gosport v Nunecton: Wilentell v Worcester; Winey v Reddich. Middend division: Atherstone v Trowndge; Biston v Moor Green; Buckingham v Stourbridge; Coventy Sporting v Banbury; Grantham v Bridgnorth; Methyr Tydii v Mile Oek, Southarn division: Dunstable v Burrhum; Pottestone v Bury; Shappey v Batdock (7.45): Waterlooville v Hashings.

DERSYSHIRE SEMOR CUP: Final, second leg: Greely v Alfreton.

nson and Hedges Cup 11.0 to 7.0, 55 overs ANTONIOS. CHELMSPORD: Essex v Surrey.

HOVE: Sussex v Kent. HEADINGLEY: Yorkshire v North-RUGBY UNION

OTHER SPORT BOXING: Tournements: York Hall, Beth-nal Green; Hove Town Hall. SHOOKER: Embasey world professional championships (at Sheffeld). SPEEDWAY: World championship: Quer-ter-linals (at Pools). WEIGHTLIFTING: European champion-ships (at National Sports Centre, Cardiff).

BOXING: ITY 11.35 p.m.: Seconds out: From York Half, Bethral Green. Front Tork Heat, Internal Green.
SNOOKER: BBC1 11.0 a.m.-1.0 p.m.,
1.59-2.15 p.m. BBC2 2.45-5.30, 6-8.50, 99.30 and 11.45 p.m.: Embessy world
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Success provides the key for Mayglothling

double sculls at Henley Royal

Mayglothling can take pride

in this rapid expansion, which has been particularly evident in the last few years when she had

With the promotion of Rosie Mayglothling to senior national coach, rowing in Great Britain is now spearheaded by two women—the other being Penny Chuter, the director of international In the last two decades women's rowing has grown considerably. Mayglothling said:
"There are almost 4,000 women registered with the Amateur rowing. While Chuter is toiling Rowing Association and there must be that number again maregistered in naiversities and away at preparations for the Seoul Olympic Games, as well as the world championships for

as the world championships for lightweights and juniors, Mayglothling will more from her position of responsibility for women's rowing to a broader spectrum involving more dis-ciplines and projects. Both Chater Mayglothling, aged 34, had skiffing. Chuter won a silver medal in single sculls at the 1962 European championships, while Mayglothling, whose maiden name was Clugston, competed in four world

championships and was a mem-ber of the British Olympic women's eight at the Moscow Olympics in 1980. A victory she particularly relishes, however, was with Astrid Ayling in the

special responsibility for wom-en's rowing. She said: "While I now move in other directions I have invested so much time in eye on the progress of women's rowing. I am involved this year in the inaugural women's Hen-ley Regatta, which will take place from June 17 to 18, I am particularly anxious to find a major sponsor so that we can bring over crews from the United States for an Anglo-American

women's head of the river. Their ability is partly reflected in Za Za Horne, a postgraduate at Oxford, who stepped into Pembroke's Torpids men's eight and made a bump to place Pembroke third. The strength in depth is perhaps even more evident in the way the women are closing the gap at international level between the amazons of the East-ern bloc and themselves. The growth in numbers of particiots should eventually lead to a greater elite.

A particular concera of Mayglothing, however, is the lack of women coaching here at international level. "I have just completed a project sponsored by the National Coaching Foundation and we interviewed 54 women coaches from five different sports, including 10 rowing coaches," she said. "The problem, of course, is that oarswomen tend to leave their sport after their competitive States for an Anglo-American days are over, get married, and bring up families. I have been looking at ways and means of attracting them back to coaching which commends in this comment.

FOR THE RECORD

AMERICAN FOOTBALL BASKETBALL BUDWEISER LEAGUE: Netlonel division: Glasgow Lions 53, Luigon Plyers 17; Leeds Cougars 0, Manchester Spartans 21; Loicea-ter Parthers 29, Manchester Alstans 10; Notingram Hoods 14, Northans Storm-bringers 15; Cheimsford Cherokeas 20, Fylide Falcons 35; London Ravens 38, Birmingham Buts 37; Themas Valley Chargers 18, London Olymolant 30

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FOOTBALL

Millwall forced to deny Cascarino chance with Irish

above an international future yesterday when Millwall denied Tony Cascarino a chance to earn a place in the finals of the West Germany this summer. Jack Charlton, the Republic

of Ireland manager, asked for the services of the second di-vision leaders' prolific goalscorer when his weakened squad for the game against Yugoslavia here tomorrow was further depleted by the with further depleted by the with-drawal yesterday of Quinn, the Arsenal forward, with chicken-pox. But Charlton was hardly surprised to hear that Millwall wanted Cascarino, who has scored 23 goals this season, to concentrate on the business of It may be Cascarino's last

chance to make the squad for the European finals because the Irish expect to be at full strength Irish expect to be at full strength for their next friendly against Poland on May 22. Cascarino has played a leading part in helping Millwall into a two-point lead, which they hope to sustain in their last three matches against Stoke City, Hull City and Blackburn Rovers. The withdrawal of Quinn,

who was a substitute in the Littlewoods Cup final at Wem-Littlewoods Cup final at Wern-bley on Sunday, follows hard on the heels of that of Aldridge, Liverpool's leading scorer, with a hamstring injury. It leaves the Republic with just two rec-ognized forwards, Stapleton and Kelly, in a reduced squad of 15 players. The brittle Sheedy had pulled out last week with an ankle intry. ankle injury. Chariton said that if there

were any further withdrawals be would consider calling up players from the League of Ireland.

Bingham waits for Luton trio

By George Ace

Northern Ireland worked out yesterday at Bangor in preparation for their international against France at Windsor Park tomorrow (7.30) minus Mal Donaghy, Danny Wilson and the surprise inclusion, Kingsley

The three Luton Town players were excused to attend last night's civic reception following the success against Arsenal in the Littlewoods Cup final. They join Northern Ireland today.

Billy Bingham, the Northern Ireland manager, who will dis-cuss a fresh contract with the Irish Football Association (IFA) later this week, was tight-lipped about the outcome. "I have experienced no difficulty with

the IFA over previous contracts and I don't expect any now." And Norman Whiteside was equally reticent that he may move to Olympiakos, the Greek club. "My lips are sealed," Whiteside who led Northern Ireland against Poland last month, said.

Of his inclusion of Black in the 19-man squad — he was drafted into the squad when David McCreery, of Newcastle United, withdrew with a chest ailment (a complaint also con-tracted ysterday by Paul Ramsey, of Leicester City) — Bingham said: "Black has played for Luton 10 times and I was impressed with his performance on Sunday.

"Age is no criterion to judge a player. Whiteside was 17 in the World Cup in Spain and I have introduced O'Neill this season at 18. Black is 19 and I think he has a lot of potential."

Peyton, the Bournemouth soul keeper, is due to join the squad tomorrow after playing in a League match tonight, while Charlton is also pleased that Whelan, who has had to

undergo knee surgery recently, would be available for the next "So long as they all turn up on May 17, that's the main thing," Charlton said. "If they have slight knocks and can't play, I still want them here involved in

the discussions preparations."

Brian Law, the Queen's Park Rangers central defender, flew to Sweden yesterday to join the Wales squad, just hours after collecting a two-match ban and a £100 fine at an FA disciplinary

Law, aged 18, who made his Rangers debut as substitute four days ago, gained a surprise call for Wales's match in Stockholm tomorrow night as replacement for injured Pat Van den Hauwe The suspension, imposed for exceeding 41 disciplinary points, started yesterday, al-though it is only for domestic

aw has already been capped at youth level. Dave Sexton, the England under-21 manager, has asked Gary Ablett, the Liverpool left back, to join his squad for tomorrow's UEFA under-21 championship semi-final, second leg against France at Highbury.

games and may allow Wales to give Law an international debut.

Ablett is needed to replace Tony Dorigo, the Chelsea de-fender, who also missed the first leg when England lost 4-2. Steve Redmond, the Manchester City defender, has also been called in for Andy Thorn, of Wimbledon,

Sillett in talks for **Cowans**

By Chris Moore

Coventry City have taken the initiative in the race to sign Gordon Cowans, the former England midfield player, who has spent the last four years playing for the Italian club, Bari. John Sillett, the Coventry manager, flew to Italy over the weekend, hoping to finalize a deal that would bring Cowans back to the Midlands.

It is the second time this season Sillett has tried to sign the former Aston Villa favourite, aged 29. Sillett first enquired about him after Lloyd McGrath broke a leg in February, but Bari refused to consider releasing him while still challenging fo

However, Cowans has since made it clear he will definitely be returning to England when his contract expires at the end of the

By flying to Italy on Saturday ht, Sillett was h off competition from Southampton and Nottingham Forest, who have also been linked with the

Meanwhile, Bari, the Italian first division club, who have made a £1 million bid for Forest's top scorer, Nigel Clough, are now running the rule over David Kelly, Walsall's Republic of international. Ireland

They plan to watch the forward, aged 22, who scored four goals in his first two appearances for Eire, in a friendly international against Yugoslavia tomorrow and also in the European championship in West pean championship in West Germany.

BASKETBALL

Bolton likely for Byrd By Nicholas Harling

THIRD DIVISION

Alton Byrd, the little man who has made such an enormous impact on British basketball, is difficult a situation to handle," set to try his hand at coaching Overlooked by Manchester United for their recent coaching vacancy, Byrd, a member of the Great Britain Olympic squad, will certainly be pursuing his career elsewhere next season, most likely for Bolton as player-

Bolton want Byrd to replace Roy Blake, who has just re-turned to United as assistant to Jeff Jones, their new coach. Had Byrd remained with United, both men could have found themselves in an invidious pos-

Although Jones, at 33 years of age, is three years the older, the vast experience gained by Byrd on his travels with Crystal Palace. MIM Livington and then United, could have been

Jones admitted yesterday. "It would always be in the back of my mind that he would be questioning certain things. I'm not sure that Alton and I have the same ideas. In the short term it will hurt us to replace him but in the long term it will help as there is a tremendous wealth of young talent here." Bolton will talk to Byrd next Tuesday on his return from a week's holiday in Miami. Now a

stockbroker in Manchester, he could hardly find a more convenient move, particularly as Bolton, under Blake, have just completed their most successful season yet in tenth position. "If we get Alton Byrd I can promise you we will be the senior club in the north-west," Mike Shaft, the Bolton chairman claimed. POOLS FORECAST by Paul Newman

VAUXHALL-OPEL LGE PREMIER DIVISION

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1 Brighton v Mansfield
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1 Scarboro v Rochdate
2 Swensea v Scurithorpe
1 Torquay v Carliste
X Wyestham v Wolves
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(Friday); Colchester v
Sacokport (Friday); Newport
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However, Halls, Thompson and lagdesh Barber, three Old Loughtonians, have been exempted from the training in order to play in the inter-league championship at Prescot, and Brayshaw, of Cambridge University, will not attend because of injury. ENGLAND UNDER-21 SQUAD: M Langelon (Coverty and N Varnickshire). D
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TODAY'S FIXTURES

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COURAGE CLUBS CHAMPIONSHIP: First division: Moseley v Waterloo. CLUB MATCH: Neath v Glamorgan Wanderers (7.0).

UNITED STATES: National Association (NBA): Sunday: Chicago Buts 115. Boston Cetics 108: Los Appales Laters 138, Golden State Warriors, 100. Dates Marvericks 118, San Antonio Squra 109: Derroit Pistons 128, Priladelphia 76ers 118: Houston Rockets 127, Prinante Suns 119; Sestile SuperSonics 109, Los Angeles Cippers 100. *Boston Celtics *Detroit Pistons *Atlanta Hewks 54 28 .659 50 32 .610 *Chicago Bulls *Milwaukee Bucks 50 32 .610 "Cleveland Cavallers Weathington Bullets 42 40 512

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CRICKET

SCHOOLS BRATCHES: Aldenham 178 for 5 dec, "UCS 119 for 6; "Arnold 94, 35 for 6 Bury 65; "Berl themselved 181 for 7 dec, "Slowe 188 for 5; Calestham 135 for 6, "Sutton Valence 74 for 9; Chelmentan 210 for 4, Caltino 213 for 5; "Col-chemier RGS 175 for 4, Caltino 213 for 5; "Col-chemier RGS 175 for 1; Erffeld 130 for 6; Coleston's 181 for 5 dec, "Justen's Taumbon 153 for 5; "Craineling 236 for 5; Christ's Hospital 140 for 6; Gualdinot RGS 179 for 4 dec, "Justel 100 for 8; "Hustipier protein 224 for 5 dec, Ardingly 158 for 8; John Fisher 137 for 5, "Wimbiedon' Coli 61; Kally 123 for 7 dec, "Mast 200 for 6; "Lang Edward's 167 for 4 dec, "Justel 100 for 8; "Hustipier 137 for 5, "Wimbiedon' Coli 61; Kally 123 for 7 dec, "Mast 200 for 8; King Edward's 167 for 4 dec, Mexchant Taylors' 87 for 2; King Edward's 167 for 4; King Edward's 188 jor 2; Laughton 200 for 1; Millian 130 for 6; King Edward's 186 for 2; Laughton 100 for 8; Millian 200 for 8; Millian 200 for 8; Millian 200 for 8; Millian 200 for 9; Stamford SS 131 for 7; Millian 223 for 2 of Mallian 180 for 4; Laughton 100 for 5; Royal Hospital Hobrook 98, "Woodbriggers (Gerica) 111; "Newcostile for under for Lyme 122 Bishop Vestey" 123 for 2 of Mallian 235 for 7; "Millian 235 for 9; "Millian 235 for 8; Durstell 136 for 8; St Pouris 175 for 9; Highgate 123 for 2; Univ of Essau 186 for 8 dec, "Deseich 138 for 8; Winteledon CC 186 for 7, "KCS 140 for 2; Genouse house learn). CRICKET

COUNTY CHAMPICAISHIPS: Sacul-fisials: Berkehire lost to Staffordshire 3-0 (M Moore and R Topheni lost to A Sepherson and M Yates 1-2; M Shortland-lones and P Massificate lost to A Cerrier and G Batter 0-3; Sistemes and S Berber lost to S Favel and J Mole D-31. Hertlandshire lost to Middleset 2-1. Mole D-3). Heritoritethire lost to Middlesst 2-1. G Wittems and G Bond lost to B Matthews and A Globon 1-3. M Permin and J Poliseed lost to M Wattems and N Rethbone 9-5. M Huges and O Bull by B Duribur and E Wass 3-2. Final: Middleser, by Stationistres 3-0. Matthews and Globon by Yaten and R Harris 3-0; M Wittems and Rathbone by Baker and Cemer 3-1; Duribur and Wass by Mole and P Gordos 3-1).

Pallister receives advance notice of England debut

Gary Pallister, the Middlesbrough central defender, will make his England debut here against Hungary tomorrow afternoon. He was told of his elevation yesterday morning, and thus becomes the first player to be lifted out of the second division and into the national side by Bobby

Without unveiling the rest of his line-up, Robson ex-plained that he had taken the unusual step so that Middles-brough's centre half, aged 22, could grow accustomed to the potentially frightening pros-pect. "I want him to settle, to give him time to get excited about it and then to compose

Pallister has seemingly done so already. Assured beyond his years, he accepted the highest honour in a placid manner which suggested that, in spite of his age and in-experience, he will be far from overawed by the quality of the Hungarians or the size of the famous Nep stadium.

Yet five years ago he was rejected by Malcolm Allison, then the manager of Middlesbrough. Pallister was not sur-

a stinker of a trial. The worried about dropping the following season, Willie points than of not impressing Maddren, Allison's successor, was more impressed by the youngster, but the club was less wealthy by then. "They wanted me to sign but they were so poor they couldn't afford my wages of £50 a week," Pallister recalls. "Dick Corden, a local

scaffolder, offered to sponsor me. His son, Steve, made his Middlesbrough debut the same day as me three seasons ago. Some place to make it, too. Away at Wimbledon."

The younger Corden later broke his leg, an injury which prematurely ended his career. The same misfortune which befell Butcher some six months ago, linked with the belated withdrawals of Wat-son and Wright, has "opened the door" as Robson puts it, to the international arena for Robson was contemplating

the experimental idea anyway and went to Portman Road on Saturday specifically to consider it further. For the first time since Pallister has played for Middlesbrough, they con-ceded four goals and his direct opponent claimed three of-

One player attracting atten-

wrong attitude on and off the field. But Roxburgh has had a

long discussion with the player

and said: "He wants to do his

best for his club. The same

applies for Scotland, and there

is nothing negative about his

Gooch and Border thrash

Essex into record books

the previous record of 1,475.

The Essex onslaught was

spearheaded by Gooch, the

England opener, who hit 73 off

64 balls, including nine fours,

to follow his career-best 275 in

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Roxburgh putting the past behind

CHELMSFORD: Essex in England, easily surpassing

Scotland will face the most rigorous test to date of their readiness for the next World burgh conceded that the fixtures had scarcely produced Cup qualifying campaign when they step into the Bernabén stadium in Madrid tion is Durrant, the Rangers tomorrow night to play Spain. midfield player. He was dropped by his club last weekend for displaying the

Soon after the Scottish party arrived in the cool and rainy Spanish capital, Andy Roxburgh, the national coach, reviewed his team's progress in the World Cup warm-up

Referring to Scotland's 2-2 applies for draw with Saudi Arabia and the undistinguished 1-1 result approach."

(21pts) beat Kent (4) by eight

Essex, chasing 169 runs to win

from 25 overs, pulled off a

spectacular victory in their

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was the highest aggregate for a

county championship match

the England manager." Nor was Robson concerned. "Two of those goals were the best; I've seen for 30 years," he said. "Pallister has all the qualities you would expect in a centre half. Last month, against The Netherlands. playing at home in front of a big crowd, might have made him nervous. Now we'll see how he copes.' Since the only other con-

tender, Walker, of Nottingham Forest, was unavailable through injury, Pallister, who has modelled himself on Liverpool's central defenders, and on Hansen in particular, will find himself the elder representative in yet another new England partnership. Adams, certain to collect his eighth cap, is more than a year

At this stage of the prepara-tions for the European championship, Robson should ideally have been cementing the middle of his security. Instead, he has been continually forced to uproot it. Even if Pallister survives the forthcoming ordeal, it is unreasonably optimistic to expect him to complete the transition from the second division in so short a time.

Recognizing publicly that he is "not sure that Butcher will make it" for the tournament in June, Robson states that it would be "nice if Pallister could come through". But would he be adequately prepared to protect England against the likes of The Netherlands and the Soviet Union? Adams himself discovered that attempting to contain top-class forwards can be a bewildering experience.

Robson has decided not to soften Pallister's introduction either by reinforcing or rearranging his midfield. "There's no point in that," he said. "We are going there to win. Pallister must stand up. I'll learn more about him that way anyway. I think he'll be OK." Yet scaffolding might be as beneficial now as it was four

by Fletcher for his spinners,

Childs and Miller.

taker.

Going to pot: Steve James, a qualifier, potting his way into the quarter-final of the snooker world championship yesterday

James wins rearguard action

By Steve Acteson

Steve James fought a brave rearguard action at the Crucible Theatre, Sheffield, yes-terday to end Joe Johnson's hopes of reaching the Embassy world snooker championship final for the third year in

Johnson, the No. 5 seed, from Bradford, had won the last two frames late on Sunday night to take the fight into the third and final session of their second-round match.

Losing 11-5, however, he was still only two frames from defeat against James, aged 26, from Cannock, Staffordshire, who qualified for the final stages for the first time.

The special atmosphere of the Crucible always inspires Johnson, the 1986 champion, and he won the first four frames yesterday to reduce the margin tyo two frames, squeezing home in frame 19

is also certain of promotion colours and then winningthe

However, it was too little, too late. James, rated a 500-1 outsider before the tour-pament, held his nerve to forge successive breaks of 41, 45 and 61 to complete the most surprising victory thus far. "I have never known pressure like it in my life," he said. "Now I know what the other players are talking

THE WINTIMES

James, whose schoolboy dreams of a career in professional football were blighted by asthma, turned professional only two years ago and before the championship was ranked 67th in the world. "I was working from 5am to 6pm, six days a week, as a postman, for £120 and I didn't worth. didn't want to give up the security."

He is now assured of at least squeezing home in frame 19 £14,250 from his world by tucking away the last three championship campaign and

into the game's top 32 next

"I won the match in the first session really, but I relaxed on Sunday when I should have killed Joe off. He was there for the taking. Although he came back well today, I think I showed a bit of character in holding him off."

Johnson said:"You can't take it away from the kid. He nade a 140 against Rex Williams in round one and he nearly made a maximum could go a lot further, but it gets harder every round."

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Neal Foulds, No. 3 seed,

nal, anarchic, sport without rulebook, teams or a normal wretched season behind him with a devastating 13-1 sec-Mountjoy, of Wales, who now loses his place in the top 16. Foulds had breaks of 49, 69, 102 and 47 yesterday to add to his eight efforts of 30 or more among the international climbing community in refuson Sunday night, and won with a full session to spare.

Terry Griffiths, the Welsh champion, completed his first major tournament victory over Willie Thorne, of Leices-

While gaffes of such prom-inence, like last week's re-

vision of the press release

referring to a possible Board

suspension, are being trotted

may be kept secret, to avoid a

media onslaught, give rise to suspicions that when they do

emerge, they will be wearing long white sheets and pointed

summer

Gasser wins the first round

top, or the highest point up a cliff of increasing difficulty. On the continent the competitions attract large crowds and create big names. Climbers stand to win handsome

sponsorship from the equip-ment industry and substantial prize money. The pressure is such that some members of the Union Internationale des Associations Alpine (UIAA) want to make climbing competitions an Olympic event. Although the BMC believes this would be approach by great of Brit.

be opposed by most of Brit-ain's 35,000 active climbers, the BMC recently agreed to accept climbing competitions

— provided they take place on
climbing walls and not on the natural cliffs used by "authentic" mountaineers.

Traditionalists claim that organized contests would-impose an Olympian bureaucracy, with all the commercial pressures attached to it, upon sport that is essentially about freedom. Look what happened, they point out, to cricket, football and tennis.

Anodyne events to benefit organizers

Unlike real mountaineering. climbing competitions are free of risk. Critics describe them as anodyne events for the benefit of the organizers and a handful of rock gymnasts.

Chris Gore, a British ence at the Brakpan cross-country meeting near here last climber who recently took part in an international competition in the Palais de Sport at Bercy, Paris, saw nothing wrong in the competitions as one part of

a wider sport. He pointed out that only nine British cumbers had ever taken part in official competitions so it could hardly be said to represent much of a threat. But it would have been impossible for the BMC to ignore them without having its

authority diminished. The competition routes are infinitely harder than any-thing that Young's Cragsman ever tackled, and so steep that to let go results in a brief journey through space before the protection stops the fall.

On the real rock, the gadgets that climbers use as safeguards are of great strength, ingenuity and reliability. Top-flight modern climbers, however — those who train endlessly in the gymnasium or on the climbing wall have not used these devices to make old climbs safer, but to bring even bolder, steeper and more hold-less stretches of rock into the bounds of climb-

ing possibility. "With the modern kit, perhaps the greatest danger is that I'll ladder my tights," one rock addict, perhaps wish-fully, confessed. As for letting go, he did so regularly, whenever he fell off. He recalled asking a passing rescue team if it would leave its empty stretcher at the foot of the climb he was trying, to give him a soft landing, just in case he hit the ground. The stretcher was manned by traditionalists. They refused.

Bigham breaks record

David Bigham crept up qui-Thompson's age-16 United Kingdom decathlon record, with 6,701 pts at Woking over against the attacking fields set Childs made the odd ball lift

and turn and kept his close fielders both intact and expectant as he wheeled away for 19 uninterrupted, pre-lunch overs before changing ends for one more. Miller was less accurate and Childs always looked the more likely wicket-Canada, this summer.

Davis left obligingly early and twice Chris Cowdrey swept Childs dangerously, just short of Topley at square leg. In the end, it was the sweep that brought about his downfall. He had barely passed his 50, scored from 60 balls, when he attempted to paddle another four and skied the ball to Gooch at short fine leg. But by now Graham, his brother, had settled in ominously well and he and Marsh continued to carry the fight to Essex.

By lunch, they had added Graham Cowdrey had passed his half-century and Kent were only 16 runs be-

Just as the highest seventhwicket partnership for Kent became a distinct speck on the horizon, Marsh succumbed, Border taking a fine, tumbling catch at mid-wicket.

Total (107.2 overs) 3 FALL OF WICKETS: 1-27, 2-49, 3-49, 49, 5-89, 6-122, 7-344, 8-357, 9-372. BOWLING: Lever 19-4-85-1; Topley 21.2-5-57-3; Childs 45-16-113-5; Miller 28-6-95-1; Border 4-0-21-0.

Prichard not out . Extras (b. 1, a) 4) .

Pontypridd will be sent a letter "KWR Fletcher, DR Pringle, G Miller, †D E East, TD Topley, JK Lever and JH Childs did not bat. by the Welsh Rugby Union warning them about their FALL OF WICKETS: 1-53, 2-150. future conduct after having BOWLING: C S Cowdrey 7-0-59-1; Alleyne 6-0-40-0; Davis 4.2-0-34-1; G R Cowdrey 4-0-32-0. their third player sent off this Impires: A Julian and K J Lyons.

Graham Cowdrey and Marsh, the wicketkeeper, were responsible for a remarkable Kent resurgence. They added 222 for the seventh wicket and averted the innings victory that Essex earlier threatened. Although facing a deficit of 140, with four wickets down, both Cowdreys and Marsh played a sensibly free game

etly, and annexed Daley the weekend. Following a well publicized failed attempt to break Thompson's record last year, Bigham and his coach, Ian Grant, decided "to keep it out of the papers", in Bigham's words.

The youngster's aim now, apart from Thompson's age-17 best of more than 7.500pts - Bigham's birthday is on July 4 — is to make the British team for the world junior championships in Sudbury,

His next decathlon will be the AAA junior championships, in Gateshead on May 21 and 22, and a potential international match in Spain, where he hopes to get selected for Sudbury. What was most impressive about the weekend's performance was that Bigham had only two marginal personal bests, yet beat his record by 225pts, which suggests scope for improvement.

Threat to

Athens

Athens (AFP) - Miltiades

Evert, the mayor of Athens,

will not back the Greek cap-

ital's bid to host the 1996

Olympic Games because of

delays and errors in preparation by the Socialist govern-ment. Evert, a Conservative, also attacked the lack of sports

facilities, saying the city had

only 17 per cent of the stadia

necessary for the Olympics that would cost £2 billion.

Walnut, California (Reuter) -

Carl Lewis made a poor start

in his Olympic preparations

by finishing fifth in the 100

meters at the Mt San Antonio

college athletics relays - well

behind the winning 10.13sec

by Raymond Stewart, of

Club warned

Lewis lags

By Pat Butcher, Athletics Correspondent nity to demonstrate lack of officals (including at least one Zola Budd and Sandra Gasser barely tip the scales at a attached to the IAAF) responblame. sible for cheating at the world hundredweight each, but they championships in Rome last

If that point is pursued at are causing tons of trouble for

the trial, which is expected in the International Amateur six weeks time, it will be an Athletics Federation between interesting test of the IAAF retention of the world "amateur" in its title, designed to Budd, content for the moavoid such actions of retraintment to suspend her racing while the British Amateur of trade.

Athletic Board (BAAB) in-As if that was not bad vestigates her eligibility, is on "hold". But Gasser, from being all-systems-stop is on the go again. She dropped her High Court case against the federation (IAAF) over her drugs suspension vesterday. after the Vice-Chancellor, Sir Nicholas Browne-Wilkinson, the

Responding to Gasser's contention that, if successful in her suit, she could still represent Switzerland at the Olympic Games in September, the Vice-Chancellor said: "The sooner the litigation is dealt with, the better". Gasser was claiming that the IAAF did not follow the proper drug testing procedures in her case, and that the federation rule which provides for automatic disqualification is an unlawful restraint of trade in that it denies athletes any opportu-

ordered a trial of her claim.

out regularly, things will not enough for one day, federation improve. officals were tripping over The BAAB has not yet nominated its committee of their tongues, pretending they did not threaten to suspend the Board last week if it did three to investigate Budd's eligibility, and rumours that it

not suspend Budd. But credibility, or a lack of it has been the lot of the IAAF for some time now, what with the attempts to suppress debate evident misdemeanours of Italian

Van Zijl to Budd's aid Johannesburg - Fanie van Zijl, of South Africa, Zola

Budd's former adviser, said yesterday that he would be willing to give evidence before any Board of Inquiry set up to consider whether Miss Budd should compete for Britain (Michael Hornsby writes). Van Zijl was responsible for

Miss Budd's disputed pres-

"My wife and son were taking part in the Brakpan meeting, so we took Zola along with us," van Zijl said. "Zola and I jogged twice round the dam on a tarred road. That is all that happened." nounced his retirement to join the British orienteering team

SPORT IN BRIEF



Johnson: well placed

Tour best

Trish Johnson finished in a tie for sixth place in the Suncoast classic in Florida, five shots behind the winner Rosie Jones, of the United States, to record her best performance on the Ladies' PGA tour.

ove match

Annabel Croft, the former British No. 1, is retiring from tennis, because of her relationship with boyfriend, Mel Coleman. She said: "My decision to stop came when I was about to go away and realized I wouldn't see him for two months."

Ramsden back Dean Ramsden has re-

TOT THE WORLD CUP at Trossachs on May 21.

TEAM: Mere M Begnees (Warrior), R Bloor (South East Lanes), P Hegue (Edinburgh Univ), S Hate (Perth), D Jones (Glasgow Univ), C McIotyre (OK Tyr), S Palmer (Wathon Chasers), D Rouddock (Amendeers), Wosseer, L Durin (Southampton), Y Hegue (Edmburgh Univ), G Hate (Clevelland), S Lewsley (Bonderioers), W Lightfoot (South Yorkshre), K Parker (Marchester), J Rabson (Southampton). for the World Cup at Tros-

Gowers out

Gillian Gowers, the England badminton international, has withdrawn from the triangular series against Denmark and Sweden next month and the Uber Cup finals in Malaysia from May 23 to June 5 because of illness.

Mixed fortune Oxford University women's lacrosse team won four of their six games during their tour of American universities

and colleges. On target

Colin Mallett, of Jersey, finished fourth overall in the Australian bicentenary shooting championships in Sydney.

Four overseas riders join McLoughlin

Paris - Joey McLoughlin, winner of the 1986 Milk Race, will compete again this year as leader of a six-man Contineutal team with additional sponsorship from Halfords. the cycle retailers, it was announced here last night (Peter Bryan srites).

The Liverpool professional unable to ride in last year's event because of injury, will bring to Britain five of his Z-Peugeot colleagues, including Adrian Timmis, of Stafford. The others are two Frenchmen, Ronan Pensec and Dennis Roux, and two Norwegians, Olaf Lurvic and Atle Kvalsvol. • The 21-day Tour of Spain

(the Vuelta) got under way yesterday with Sean Kelly clocking the same time as the first day winner, Ettore Pastorelli, of Italy, in an 11mile circuit time trial around the island of Tenerife.

Kelly will ask for a second opinion after the Irish rider gave a positive drug test earlier this month.

Four

Racing

is new

slant to

climbs

By Ronald Faux "... And what remains of all

I see and know if I let go?"-

Odd that Young's cragsman, balanced on his crystal ledge,

should even bother to enquire.

Letting go in those days was invariably a terminal business

for mountaineers. Hemp ropes

were prone to snap. If the leader went, he kept on going. The first rule drummed into all

tyros was that the leader

The philosophy lingered on

from Whymper's day - he had

a lifetime to consider what did

happen when a chap lost his grip high on the Matterhorn. It spread into the seventies through that school of hard-climbing, hard-living lads that

pushed up the standard of British rock-climbing to a

formidable level. Through

partnerships, such as Brown and Whilians, they earned Britain international respect.

A sport essentially

But the popular image was

of the rock climber as a dishevelled figure who kept one eye on the pub door in the valley below as he made the

hard move. It was an individ-

Against that tradition, it is

easier to understand why the British Mountaineering Coun-

cil (BMC) initally stood alone

ing to support climbing com-petitions.

crag face becomes a vertical

achieve the fastest time to the

These are events in which a

sense of competition.

about freedom

should never, ever fall.

Geoffrey Winthrop Young

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